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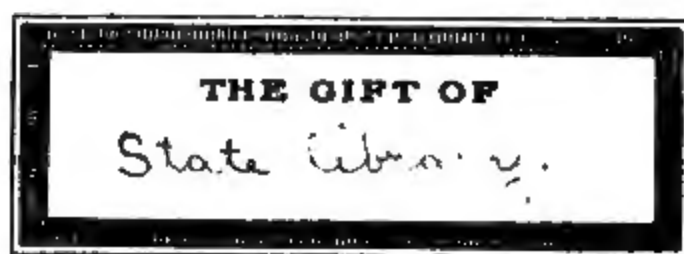
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FIRST DAY.

Lansing, Wednesday, January 6.

12 o'clock m.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Constitution, the members-elect of the House of Representatives of the State of Michigan, for the years 1915 and 1916, assembled in Representative Hall in the Capitol at Lansing on the first Wednesday in January, the sixth day of January, 1915, and, in accordance with law, were called to order by Charles S. Pierce, Clerk of the preceding House.

Religious exercises were conducted by Representative-elect William F. Jerome, rector of St. Peter's Episcopal church, of Hillsdale.

The following communication from the Secretary of State was read:

MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF STATE,
January 4, 1915.

Hon. Charles S. Pierce, Clerk, House of Representatives.

Sir:—I enclose herewith a certified list of the members-elect of the House of Representatives and State Senate for the years 1915 and 1916, as shown by the returns from the clerks of the several counties in the State, now on file in this office.

Very respectfully,
COLEMAN C. VAUGHAN,
Secretary of State.

The following is the certified list:

Members-elect of the State Senate.

First District—Louis N. Hilsendegen.

Second District—James A. Murtha.

Third District—James W. Hanley.

Fourth District—Robert Y. Ogg.

Fifth District—George G. Scott.

Sixth District—Walter R. Taylor.
Seventh District—Edgar A. Planck.
Eighth District—Burrell Tripp.
Ninth District—Henry E. Straight.
Tenth District—Charles J. DeLand.
Eleventh District—David A. Fitzgibbon.
Twelfth District—Frank L. Covert.
Thirteenth District—George A. Barnes.
Fourteenth District—Charles W. Foster.
Fifteenth District—Elbert V. Smith.
Sixteenth District—Leonard D. Verdier.
Seventeenth District—John Paul.
Eighteenth District—Herbert E. Powell.
Nineteenth District—Frank A. Groger.
Twentieth District—Fred L. Woodworth.
Twenty-first District—Terry T. Corliss.
Twenty-second District—Frank H. McPhillips.
Twenty-third District—Edward Hofma.
Twenty-fourth District—Augustus H. Gansser.
Twenty-fifth District—John A. Damon.
Twenty-sixth District—Samuel Odell.
Twenty-seventh District—Robert E. Walter.
Twenty-eighth District—Louis L. Kelley.
Twenty-ninth District—J. Lee Morford.
Thirtieth District—James C. Wood.
Thirty-first District—Alton T. Roberts.
Thirty-second District—George Williams.

Members-elect of the House of Representatives.

Counties:

Allegan, First district—Lyman C. Root.
Allegan, Second district—George Leland.
Alpena—Alonzo B. Green.
Antrim—Theodore N. Chapin.
Barry—Charles A. Weissert.
Bay, First district—Marshall A. Oakley.
Bay, Second district—August Quintel.
Berrien, First district—Charles W. Matthews.
Berrien, Second district—Samuel E. Daigneau.
Branch—M. L. Evens.
Calhoun, First district—L. J. Wolcott.
Calhoun, Second district—James Henry.
Cass—Fred B. Wells.
Charlevoix—Herman I. McMillan.
Cheboygan—Samuel J. Smith.
Chippewa—Merlin Wiley.
Clare District—Henry Croll, Jr.
Clinton—Charles A. Hulse.
Delta—G. Raymond Empson.
Dickinson—John Daprato.
Eaton—Ernest G. Pray.

Emmet—Dana H. Hinkley.
Genesee, First district—Ransom L. Ford.
Genesee, Second district—William B. Ormsbee.
Gogebic—Sigurd G. Nelson.
Grand Traverse—Lowell Sours.
Gratiot—Newel Smith.
Hillsdale—William F. Jerome.
Houghton, First district—Albert E. Petermann.
Houghton, Second district—Joseph A. Shields.
Houghton, Third district—Adelbert D. Edwards.
Huron—Godfried Gettel.
Ingham, First district—Seymour H. Person.
Ingham, Second district—Charles W. Clark.
Ionia—Fred L. Warner.
Iosco District—Elwin B. Follett.
Iron District—Patrick O'Brien.
Isabella—Walter A. Keen.
Jackson, First district—Emory J. Wood.
Jackson, Second district—Clarence J. Reed.
Kalamazoo, First district—John M. Biggerstaff.
Kalamazoo, Second district—Milo A. Snow.
Kent, First district—Roy M. Watkins.
Paul J. Averill.
William DeBoer.
Kent, Second district—Charles R. Foote.
Kent, Third district—Herbert A. VanAntwerp.
Lapeer—Charles W. Smith.
Leelanau District—Andrew F. Anderson.
Lenawee, First district—William H. Moore.
Lenawee, Second district—John R. Vine.
Livingston—Henry T. Ross.
Macomb—William F. Nank.
Manistee—Arlie L. Hopkins.
Marquette, First district—William S. Ewing.
Marquette, Second district—Thomas F. Francis.
Mason—Charles Tufts.
Mecosta—Aaron Amon.
Menominee—Charles D. Symonds.
Midland—Clifford G. Olmsted.
Missaukee District—J. Frank Stevens.
Monroe—C. Wesley Kemmerling.
Montcalm—George W. Miller.
Muskegon—Tom F. Rogers.
Newaygo—Wayne R. Rice.
Oakland, First district—Albert G. Griggs.
Oakland, Second district—Frederick Wieland.
Oceana—Thomas Read.
Osceola—John Schmidt.
Ottawa, First district—Gerrit W. Kooyers.
Ottawa, Second district—Albert H. Bosch.
Presque Isle District—Harry H. Whiteley.
Saginw, First district—Harvey A. Penney.
Archibald Robertson.

Saginaw, Second district—George Ward.
 Sanilac—Herbert H. Hoffman.
 Schoolcraft District—Alex. Sly.
 Shiawassee—John Y. Martin.
 St. Clair, First district—Alexander Cowan.
 St. Clair, Second district—James M. Haviland.
 St. Joseph—Lester B. Place.
 Tuscola—Alonzo J. Sherman.
 Van Buren—Lynn J. Lewis.
 Washtenaw, First district—Daniel B. Sutton.
 Washtenaw, Second district—George S. Wright.
 Wayne, First district—Noble Ashley.

Charles H. Culver.
 Charles Flowers.
 Sheridan D. Ford.
 James D. Jerome.
 William H. Jones.
 Herman L. Koehler.
 William H. Martz.
 Homer McGraw.
 George P. Palmer.
 John Stevenson.

Wayne, Second district—Allan L. Lamphere.
 Wayne, Third district—Edward Gayde.
 Wayne, Fourth district—Ari H. Woodruff.
 Wexford District—Frank A. Smith.

I, Coleman C. Vaughan, Secretary of State of the State of Michigan, do hereby certify that I have compared the annexed and foregoing list of all the members-elect of the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Michigan, for the years 1915 and 1916, with the original returns, as transmitted to me by the clerks of the several counties in the State, and that it is a true and correct list.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereto affixed my signature and the great Seal of the State, at Lansing, this fourth day of January, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred fifteen.

(SEAL.)

COLEMAN C. VAUGHAN,
 Secretary of State.
 By Geo. L. Lusk,
 Deputy Secretary of State.

The members-elect of the House appeared at the Clerk's desk and took and subscribed the constitutional oath of office, which was administered by Hon. Flavius L. Brooke, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court.

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk, who announced that all the members were present except Mr. Samuel J. Smith.

Mr. Wolcott moved that the House take a recess until 2:30 o'clock p. m.

The motion prevailed, the time being 12:35 o'clock p. m.

AFTER RECESS.

2:30 o'clock p. m.

The House was called to order by the Clerk.

The Clerk announced that Mr. Samuel J. Smith, who was not present when the constitutional oath of office was administered to the other members-elect, had taken the oath of office before Chief Justice Brooke of the Supreme Court and is now present as a member of the House.

The Clerk announced that the first business in order was the drawing of seats in accordance with the statute.

The statute having been read, and a boy, Gardner Palmer, of Detroit, blindfolded for the purpose, the seats were drawn as follows:

	Seat No.
Mr. Amon	98
Anderson	21
Ashley	32
Averill	99
Biggerstaff	82
Bosch	23
Chapin	1
Clark	54
Cowan	3
Croll	46
Culver	80
Daigneau	93
Daprato	45
DeBoer	78
Edwards	4
Empson	70
Evens	11
Ewing	8
Flowers	66
Follett	44
Foote	33
Ford, Ransom L.....	30
Ford, Sheridan	79
Francis	7
Gayde	85
Gettel	13
Green	60

	Seat	No.
Mr. Griggs		76
Haviland		19
Henry		48
Hinkley		42
Hoffman		25
Hopkins		28
Hulse		5
Jerome, James D.		47
Jerome, William F.		27
Jones		49
Keen		9
Kemmerling		41
Koehler		36
Kooyers		35
Lamphere		84
Leland		71
Lewis		56
McGraw		65
McMillan		26
Martin		53
Martz		2
Matthews		58
Miller		100
Moore		73
Nank		20
Nelson		15
Oakley		50
O'Brien		22
Olmsted		14
Ormsbee		51
Palmer		69
Penney		77
Person		39
Petermann		34
Place		68
Pray		94
Quintel		29
Read, Thomas		62
Reed, Clarence J.		96
Rice		63
Robertson		87
Rogers		97
Root		89
Ross		16
Schmidt		91
Sherman		57
Shields		24
Sly		10
Smith, Charles W.		38
Smith, Frank A.		90
Smith, Newel		86
Smith, Samuel J.		37

	Seat	No.
Mr. Snow		81
Sours		67
Stevens		92
Stevenson		31
Sutton		12
Symonds		17
Tufts		64
Van Antwerp		88
Vine		74
Ward		43
Warner		55
Watkins		40
Weissert		6
Wells		72
Whiteley		61
Wieland		75
Wiley		18
Wolcott		95
Wood		59
Woodruff		83
Wright		52

Mr. Wolcott moved that the House take a recess until 4:15 o'clock p. m.

The motion prevailed.

AFTER RECESS.

4:15 o'clock p. m.

The House was called to order by the Clerk.

The Clerk announced that the next business in order was the election of a Speaker.

The roll was called by the Clerk and the members voted as follows:

For Charles W. Smith:

Mr. Amon	Mr. Gettel	Mr. Moore	Mr. Smith, F. A.
Anderson	Green	Nank	Smith, Newel
Ashley	Griggs	Nelson	Smith, S. J.
Averill	Haviland	Oakley	Snow
Biggerstaff	Henry	O'Brien	Sours
Bosch	Hinkley	Olmsted	Stevens
Chapin	Hoffman	Ormsbee	Stevenson
Clark	Hopkins	Palmer	Sutton
Cowan	Hulse	Penney	Symonds
Cröll	Jerome, J. D.	Person	Tufts

Mr. Culver	Mr. Jerome, W. F.	Mr. Petermann	Mr. Van Antwerp
Daigneau	Jones	Place	Vine
Daprato	Keen	Pray	Ward
De Beer	Kemmerling	Quintel	Warner
Edwards	Koehler	Read, Thos.	Watkins
Empson	Kooyers	Reed, C. J.	Weissert
Evens	Lamphere	Rice	Wells
Ewing	Leland	Robertson	Whiteley
Flowers	Lewis	Rogers	Wieland
Follett	McGraw	Root	Wiley
Footo	McMillan	Ross	Wolcott
Ford, R. L.	Martin	Schmidt	Wood
Ford, Sheridan	Martz	Sherman	Woodruff
Francis	Matthews	Shields	Wright
Gayde	Miller	Sly	

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The Clerk announced that Charles W. Smith, having received a majority of all the votes cast for the office of Speaker, was duly elected Speaker of the House.

The Clerk then named as a committee to conduct the Speaker-elect to the Chair, Messrs. Ashley, Henry and Moore.

The committee performed the duty assigned it and through its chairman introduced the Speaker-elect, who then addressed the House as follows:

Gentlemen of the House:

I have been grooming myself for this office, as nearly all of you know, for the past four years. During the session of 1911 I was urged by good friends to get ready for this office. It is my opinion that when you start to get ready for anything you should take time enough to get ready, so you will be prepared when you get it; and for that reason I have been all this time. But had I been able at any time to have framed up a deal that would have been satisfactory to me, my fondest hopes never would have allowed me to have fixed things up as well as my friends have fixed them up for me. I never expected that I would have the honor of being the unanimous choice of the Republican caucus, and in a similar caucus to be the unanimous choice of the Democrats as well, as happened last night.

We have before us in this session a lot of hard work to do. It is my belief that the best thing for us to do, in order that we may be able to go ahead with our work, is to get acquainted with each other just as fast as we can. There are some 67 members of this House who were not in the session of 1913, and I believe that is the duty of the members of the 1913 Legislature to use every effort to get acquainted as rapidly as possible with the new members, and to help the new members to get acquainted with each other, because I believe we shall not be able to do anything until we have accomplished that. There are ninety-nine of you and only one of me. It is going to be very easy for each and every one of you to remember me, but I have got a job ninety-nine fold, to remember you. I will take it as a favor if each and every one of you will make yourself known to me every time you meet me, if I do not already know who you are. I am not very old in

politics, and I have not formed the habit of remembering faces and putting the name on the handle that belongs with it, but if you will help me I will try to get so I can say "Mr. So and So" just as quickly as I possibly can.

I did think that it was all over and that I had been in a trance. A friend of mine came along and handed me a copy of the Detroit Journal this afternoon in which it said: "House Organizes. Formal organization of House then followed, Clerk Pierce first calling for election of Speaker. The Republican caucus of ninety-five of the one hundred House members having settled last night the men to be elected, the actual selection was merely formal * * * Charles W. Smith, of Lapeer, the unanimous choice of the Republicans, was formally chosen Speaker of the House, and a committee escorted him to the Speaker's chair, from which he thanked the House in a brief address for the honor bestowed upon him." So I thought I must have been in a trance and the thing was all over. Not to put my friend Bill Calnon in bad I am going to make this a brief address, because he said it was brief. I have always known that Bill was in the forefront as a news getter and never let anyone put anything over on him, but he certainly put one over on me when the committee told me I hadn't been up here yet.

I have had distributed and laid on the desk of each member a blank upon which I ask you, each and every one, no matter whether you have ever asked for anything before or not, to write your preferences for committee places, and in the order in which you put them on the paper I shall consider them as your first choices. There will be approximately four committee places for each member, but I don't want you to tie me down to the four places in your choice. Give me all the leeway you can, and I will try my best to give you three or four places out of the seven or eight you ask for. If any of you have in mind a friend that you want listed for some job please present the request to me in writing, for I am not going to try to remember any verbal request.

I hope, gentlemen, that in the work of the coming session you will each constitute yourself a committee of one to help the Speaker get along with the work as rapidly as is consistent with good work. Of course I will not expect you to be as slow in the work as I was getting ready for this job, but it is my ambition that this legislature should give to the people of the State of Michigan the best work in the shortest time that it is feasible to do the work.

I now thank you again for this honor bestowed upon me, and my one wish is, that you will be as good friends of mine when we have gotten through as you are today, if not better—and I hope better. If I make mistakes, as I expect to, I want you to understand that they are mistakes of the head and not of the heart, because I want to do what the members of this House want me to do. Again I thank you.

The Speaker announced that the next business in order was the election of a Speaker pro tem.

The roll was called by the Clerk and the members voted as follows:

For Wayne R. Rice:

Mr. Amon	Mr. Gettel	Mr. Moore	Mr. Smith, Newel
Anderson	Green	Nank	Smith, S. J.
Ashley	Griggs	Nelson	Snow
Averill	Haviland	Oakley	Sours
Biggerstaff	Henry	O'Brien	Stevens
Bosch	Hinkley	Olmsted	Stevenson
Chapin	Hoffman	Ormsbee	Sutton
Clark	Hopkins	Palmer	Symonds
Cowan	Hulse	Penney	Tufts
Croll	Jerome, J. D.	Person	Van Antwerp
Culver	Jerome, W. F.	Petermann	Vine
Daigneau	Jones	Place	Ward
Daprato	Keen	Quintel	Warner
De Boer	Kemmerling	Read, Thos.	Watkins
Edwards	Koehler	Reed, C. J.	Weissert
Empson	Kooyers	Robertson	Wells
Evens	Lamphere	Rogers	Whiteley
Ewing	Leland	Root	Wieland
Flowers	Lewis	Ross	Wiley
Follett	McGraw	Schmidt	Wolcott
Foote	McMillan	Sherman	Wood
Ford, R. L.	Martin	Shields	Woodruff
Ford, Sheridan	Martz	Sly	Wright
Francis	Matthews	Smith, F. A.	Speaker
Gayde	Miller		

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The Speaker announced that Wayne R. Rice, having received a majority of all the votes cast for the office of Speaker pro tem., was duly elected Speaker pro tem. of the House.

The Speaker announced that the next business in order was the election of a Clerk of the House.

The roll was called by the Journal Clerk of the preceding session and the members voted as follows:

For Charles S. Pierce:

Mr. Amon	Mr. Gettel	Mr. Moore	Mr. Smith, Newel
Anderson	Green	Nank	Smith, S. J.
Ashley	Griggs	Nelson	Snow
Averill	Haviland	Oakley	Sours
Biggerstaff	Henry	O'Brien	Stevens
Bosch	Hinkley	Olmsted	Stevenson
Chapin	Hoffman	Ormsbee	Sutton
Clark	Hopkins	Palmer	Symonds
Cowan	Hulse	Penney	Tufts
Croll	Jerome, J. D.	Person	Van Antwerp
Culver	Jerome, W. F.	Petermann	Vine
Daigneau	Jones	Place	Ward

Mr. Daprato	Mr. Keen	Mr. Quintel	Mr. Warner
De Boer	Kemmerling	Read, Thos.	Watkins
Edwards	Koehler	Reed, C. J.	Weissert
Empson	Kooyers	Rice	Wells
Evens	Lamphere	Robertson	Whiteley
Ewing	Leland	Rogers	Wieland
Flowers	Lewis	Root	Wiley
Follett	McGraw	Ross	Wolcott
Foote	McMillan	Schmidt	Wood
Ford, R. L.	Martin	Sherman	Woodruff
Ford, Sheridan	Martz	Shields	Wright
Francis	Matthews	Sly	Speaker
Gayde	Miller	Smith, F. A.	

The Speaker announced that Charles S. Pierce, having received a majority of all the votes cast for the office of Clerk, was duly elected Clerk of the House.

The Speaker announced that the next business in order was the election of a Sergeant-at-arms.

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk and the members voted as follows:

For Daniel D. Tufts:

Mr. Amon	Mr. Gettel	Mr. Moore	Mr. Smith, F. A.
Anderson	Green	Nank	Smith, Newel
Ashley	Griggs	Nelson	Smith, S. J.
Averill	Haviland	Oakley	Snow
Biggerstaff	Henry	O'Brien	Sours
Bosch	Hinkley	Olmsted	Stevens
Chapin	Hoffman	Ormsbee	Stevenson
Clark	Hopkins	Palmer	Sutton
Cowan	Hulse	Penney	Symonds
Croll	Jerome, J. D.	Person	Van Antwerp
Culver	Jerome, W. F.	Petermann	Vine
Daigneau	Jones	Place	Ward
Daprato	Keen	Quintel	Warner
De Boer	Kemmerling	Read, Thos.	Watkins
Edwards	Koehler	Reed, C. J.	Weissert
Empson	Kooyers	Rice	Wells
Evens	Lamphere	Robertson	Whiteley
Ewing	Leland	Rogers	Wieland
Flowers	Lewis	Root	Wiley
Follett	McGraw	Ross	Wolcott
Foote	McMillan	Schmidt	Wood
Ford, R. L.	Martin	Sherman	Woodruff
Ford, Sheridan	Martz	Shields	Wright
Francis	Matthews	Sly	Speaker
Gayde	Miller		

The Speaker announced that Daniel D. Tufts, having received a majority of all the votes cast for the office of Sergeant-at-arms, was duly elected Sergeant-at-arms of the House.

The Clerk-elect and Sergeant-at-arms-elect appeared at the Speaker's desk and took and subscribed the constitutional oath of office, which was administered by the Speaker.

The Sergeant-at-arms announced a committee from the Senate.

The committee, through its chairman, informed the House that the Senate was organized and ready to proceed with business.

By unanimous consent the House took up the order of

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Ashley offered the following resolution:

House resolution No. 1.

Resolved, That the rules of the House of Representatives of 1913 be and are hereby adopted as the temporary rules of this House, and that these rules be printed in the House Journal of this day.

The resolution was adopted.

The following are the rules:

CHAPTER I.

GENERAL PROVISIONS.

Quorum.

Rule 1. A majority of the members elected to the house shall constitute a quorum.

Admission to Floor.

Rule 2. No person, unless introduced by a member, shall be admitted within the bar of the house, except the governor, members of the senate, heads of the departments of the state government, judges, members of congress, those who have been members of congress, of the constitutional convention of the state and of the state legislature and such persons as the speaker shall assign places as reporters. All persons provided for as above shall be known to the sergeant-at-arms, and persons introduced shall be admitted within the bar only upon the personal request of a member each time such courtesy is granted.

Bar of the House.

Rule 3. The words "within the bar of the house," when used in these rules, shall mean the space on the main floor of representative hall, together with the cloak, document and toilet rooms.

CHAPTER II.

OFFICERS.

SPEAKER.

Duties as Presiding Officer.

Rule 4. The speaker shall take the chair each day at the hour to which the house shall have adjourned. He shall call the house to order, and, except in the absence of a quorum, shall proceed to business in the manner prescribed by these rules.

Rule 5. He shall preserve order and decorum; may speak to points of order, rising from his seat for that purpose; and shall decide questions of order, subject to an appeal to the house. When two or more members rise at once, the speaker shall name the member who is first to speak.

Appointment of Committees.

Rule 6. He shall appoint all committees, except where the house shall otherwise order.

Naming of Acting Speaker.

Rule 7. He may substitute any member to perform the duties of the chair, but not for a longer time than one day without leave of the house.

Naming of Chairman Committee of the Whole.

Rule 8. When the house shall have decided to go into the committee of the whole, he shall name a chairman to preside therein.

Voting.

Rule 9. He shall vote in all elections, on all divisions called for by any member and on all questions taken by yeas and nays, except on appeals from his decisions.

Putting the Question.

Rule 10. He shall distinctly put all questions in this form, to-wit: "As many as are in favor of (*as the question may be*), say 'aye.'" and after the affirmative voice is expressed, "As many as are opposed, say 'no.'" If the speaker doubt or division be called for, the house shall divide—those voting in the affirmative shall first rise, then those in the negative.

Recognition During Roll Call.

Rule 11. After a question has been stated by the speaker, and the calling of the roll has been begun by the clerk, the speaker shall not recognize a member for any purpose, except to demand the vote of another member or upon points of order, until after the announcement of the vote by the clerk; but he shall preserve order and direct members who are not in their seats to resume them and vote when their names are called.

SPEAKER PRO TEM.

Powers and Duties.

Rule 12. In the absence of the speaker, the speaker pro tem. shall exercise the powers and perform the duties of speaker and shall preside over the house unless the speaker shall have designated a member to preside for any day.

CLERK.

Roll Call.

Rule 13. The clerk shall call the roll at the opening of each session of the house and announce whether or not a quorum is present. He shall announce the names of the members absent with leave of the house and the names of the members absent without leave and enter the names of all absentees upon the journal.

Conduct of Religious Exercises.

Rule 14. He shall arrange for the conduct of religious exercises at the opening of each session of the house.

Publication and Correction of Journal.

Rule 15. He shall make up and complete the journal of the house in conformity with the rules, supervise the daily publication thereof and make such corrections therein from day to day as may be necessary.

Order of Business.

Rule 16. He shall keep the several orders of business separate and distinct, and shall prepare and place on the desk of each member each day a list of the business on his desk under each order of business.

Printing, Announcement of Printing and Enrollment of Bills.

Rule 17. He shall attend to the printing of all bills, acts or documents ordered printed by the house. He shall announce each day the numbers and titles of all bills, both house and senate, which have been printed and placed upon the files of the members and the numbers and titles of bills which have been enrolled and presented to the governor.

Responsibility for Care of Bills; Presentation of Enrolled Bills to Governor.

Rule 18. He shall be responsible to the house for the care and preservation of each bill introduced into the house and for each bill received from the senate up to the time of its return to that body, which responsibility shall only be relieved by a receipt from a proper person when the bill passes from his possession. When a bill has been finally passed by the two houses he shall present to the governor an enrolled copy thereof printed in accordance with the statute relating thereto, taking a receipt therefor showing the day and hour at which such copy was deposited in the executive office.

Appointment of Assistants.

Rule 19. The Clerk shall appoint as assistants in the performance of the duties required of him a journal clerk, bill clerk, three proof-readers, a reading clerk, financial clerk, and such other assistants as

the house may by resolution authorize, who shall be subject to his orders and to summary removal by him on failure to properly perform the duties assigned them, the reason for such removal to be reported forthwith to the house.

Incapacity of Clerk.

Rule 20. In case of the inability of the clerk, from sickness or other cause, to perform the duties of his office, temporarily, the journal clerk shall be charged with the responsibility of the clerk and shall perform his duties.

Notices in Cases of Extra Sessions.

Rule 21. Whenever the legislature shall be called to meet in extraordinary session, the clerk of the house shall notify to be present at the opening of the session such of the clerks and employes of the house as the speaker of the house shall designate.

SERGEANT-AT-ARMS.

Powers and Duties.

Rule 22. The sergeant-at-arms shall be the chief police officer of the house. He shall have charge of the keepers of the cloak and committee rooms, janitors and messengers, and control of all police regulations. He shall attend to the heating, lighting and ventilation of the hall of representatives, committee rooms and connecting corridors. He shall serve all subpoenas and warrants issued by the house or any duly authorized officer or committee.

CHAPTER III.

MEMBERS.

Conduct in Debate.

Rule 23. When any member is about to speak in debate, or present any matter to the house, he shall rise from his seat, and respectfully address himself to "Mr. Speaker;" he shall confine himself to the question under debate, and avoid personalities.

Members Called to Order.

Rule 24. If any member in speaking transgress the rules of the house, the speaker shall, or any member may, call him to order; in which case the member so called to order shall immediately sit down, and shall not rise unless to explain or proceed in order.

Times Members May Speak.

Rule 25. No member shall speak more than once on the same question without leave of the house, unless he be the mover of the matter pending or chairman of the committee who reported it, in which case he shall be privileged to speak twice.

Voting.

Rule 26. Every member who shall be within the bar of the house when the question is stated from the chair shall vote thereon, unless he

be directly interested in the question, and no member shall be obliged to vote on any question unless he be within the bar when the question is so stated.

Recording of Votes; Demands for Votes.

Rule 27. The vote of no member shall be recorded by the clerk, unless such member shall be in his seat when he gives his vote; and, if the vote of any member be demanded during the calling of the roll on any question, it shall be the duty of the speaker to direct such member who may be away from his seat but within the bar of the house to return to his seat and announce his vote. If a member shall refuse to vote after being directed so to do by the speaker he shall be deemed to be in contempt of the house and shall suffer such punishment as the house may direct, and a statement of the contempt and the determination of the house shall be entered on the journal.

Conduct During Roll Call.

Rule 28. While the speaker is putting any question, or while the roll is being called by the clerk, no member shall walk out of or across the house; nor in such case or when a member is speaking, shall entertain private discourse or pass between him and the chair.

Conduct on Adjournment.

Rule 29. When the house adjourns, the members shall keep their seats until the speaker announces the adjournment.

CHAPTER IV.

COMMITTEES.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Names and Number of Members.

Rule 30. All standing committees shall be appointed at the commencement of the session.

The committees on city corporations, education, fish and fisheries, general taxation, judiciary, liquor traffic, private corporations, public lands and forestry interests, railroads, revision and amendment of the statutes, state affairs and ways and means shall consist of nine members each.

The committees on apportionment, elections and revision and amendment of the constitution shall consist of thirteen members each.

All other committees shall consist of five members each.

The standing committees of the house shall be as follows:

1. Agricultural College.
2. Agriculture.
3. Apportionment.
4. Central Michigan Normal School.
5. City Corporations.
6. College of Mines.
7. Drainage.

8. Education.
9. Elections.
10. Federal Relations.
11. Fish and Fisheries.
12. Game Laws.
13. General Taxation.
14. Geological Survey.
15. Horticulture.
16. Industrial School for Boys.
17. Insurance.
18. Ionia State Hospital.
19. Judiciary.
20. Kalamazoo State Hospital.
21. Labor.
22. Liquor Traffic.
23. Local Taxation.
24. Lumber and Salt.
25. Michigan Employment Institution for the Blind.
26. Michigan Home for Feeble-Minded and Epileptic.
27. Michigan Reformatory.
28. Michigan School for the Blind.
29. Michigan School for the Deaf.
30. Michigan Soldiers' Home.
31. Michigan State Prison.
32. Military Affairs.
33. Mines and Minerals.
34. Newberry State Hospital.
35. Northern State Normal School.
36. Pontiac State Hospital.
37. Printing.
38. Private Corporations.
39. Public Health.
40. Public Lands and Forestry Interests.
41. Railroads.
42. Religious and Benevolent Societies.
43. Revision and Amendment of the Constitution.
44. Revision and Amendment of the Statutes.
45. Roads and Bridges.
46. Rules and Joint Rules.
47. State Affairs.
48. State Capitol and Public Buildings.
49. State House of Correction and Branch of the State Prison in the
Upper Peninsula.
50. State Industrial Home for Girls.
51. State Library.
52. State Normal College.
53. State Public School.
54. State Sanatorium.
55. Supplies and Expenditures.
56. Towns and Counties.
57. Traverse City State Hospital.

- 58. University.
- 59. Village Corporations.
- 60. Ways and Means.
- 61. Western State Normal School.

Chairman of Committees.

Rule 31. The first named member of any committee shall be the chairman, unless the committee by a majority of its number elect a chairman.

Sitting of Committees During Sessions of House.

Rule 32. No committee shall sit during the sessions of the house, without special leave of the house.

Notices of Adverse Reports.

Rule 33. All standing committees before reporting without recommendation or adversely to any bill shall notify the member presenting such bill when and where he may meet such committee to explain the same; such notice to be given by mail in the house postoffice twenty-four hours, or in person at any time, before so reporting.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

General Orders of the Day.

Rule 34. All bills reported favorably by any committee of the House shall be ordered printed and referred to the Committee of the Whole. Such bills shall be kept on file in the order of their reference for consideration by the Committee of the Whole, and such files shall be called "The general orders of the day." Appropriation bills shall be considered an exception to this rule and shall be placed at the head of the general orders each day and shall be given preference in printing over other bills.

Consideration of Bills.

Rule 35. When the house shall have arrived at the "general orders of the day," it shall go into a committee of the whole upon such orders, or a particular order designated by a vote of the house, and no business shall be in order until the whole are considered or passed, or the committee rise; and unless a particular bill is ordered up by the house the committee of the whole shall consider, act upon or pass the general orders according to the order of their reference.

Reading; Debate; Amendment.

Rule 36. In committee of the whole bills shall be read and debated by sections, leaving the bill as a whole to be last considered. The body of the bill shall not be defaced or interlined, but all amendments shall be entered on separate pieces of paper, and reported to the house by the chairman standing in his place.

Motion that Committee Rise.

Rule 37. A motion that the committee rise shall always be in order and shall be decided without debate.

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5. Message from the president
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9. Introduction
10. Third reading
11. Motion for adjournment
12. Unfinished business
13. Special orders of the day
14. General orders of the day

Printing in Journal.

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When in Possession; Withdrawal.

Rule 44. After a motion has been stated by the speaker, or read by the clerk, it shall be deemed to be in possession of the house, but may be withdrawn at any time before decision or amendment.

Precedence of Motions.

Rule 45. When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received but—

1. To adjourn.
2. To take a recess.
3. To reconsider.
4. To lay on the table.
5. For the previous question.
6. To postpone to a day certain.
7. To commit.
8. To amend.
9. To postpone indefinitely.

Such motions shall take precedence in the order in which they stand arranged. When a recess is taken during the pendency of any question, the consideration of such question shall be resumed upon reassembling unless otherwise determined. No motion to postpone to a day certain, to commit or to postpone indefinitely, being decided, shall be again allowed on the same day and at the same stage of the question.

Always in Order, not Debatable.

Rule 46. A motion to adjourn shall always be in order; that and the motion to lay on the table, and all matters relating to questions of order, shall be decided without debate. A motion for a recess, pending the consideration of other business, shall not be debatable.

Order of Putting Questions.

Rule 47. All questions shall be put in the order they were moved, except in the case of privileged questions.

Amendments to be Germane.

Rule 48. No motion or proposition on a subject different from that under consideration shall be admitted under color of an amendment.

Division of Question.

Rule 49. Any member may call for a division of the question, which shall be divided if it comprehend propositions in substance so distinct that one being taken away a substantive proposition shall remain for the decision of the house. A motion to strike out and insert shall be deemed indivisible.

Concurrent Resolutions.

Rule 50. Every order or resolution to which the concurrence of the senate shall be necessary shall be read to the house, and shall lie upon the table one day preceding its adoption. Such order or resolution shall be taken up the next day after it is offered under the order of

“motions and resolutions.” In case such order or resolution is not reached under that order of business at the next succeeding session it shall be considered thereafter under the order of “unfinished business.”

Motions for the Previous Question.

Method of Ordering.

Rule 51. The method of ordering the previous question shall be as follows: Any member may move the previous question. This being seconded by at least ten members, the chair shall put the question, “Shall the main question now be put?” This shall be ordered only by a majority of the members present and voting. After the seconding of the previous question and prior to ordering the same, a call of the house may be moved and ordered, but after ordering the previous question nothing shall be in order prior to the decision of the pending questions, except demands for the yeas and nays, points of order and appeals from the decision of the chair, which shall be decided without debate. The effect of the previous question shall be to put an end to all debate and bring the house to a direct vote upon all pending questions in their order down to and including the main question. When a motion to reconsider is taken under the previous question and is decided in the affirmative, the previous question shall have no operation upon the question to be reconsidered. If the house shall refuse to order the main question, the consideration of the subject shall be resumed as though no motion for the previous question had been made.

Motions to Reconsider.

Motion for Reconsideration.

Rule 52. Any member may move for a reconsideration of any question on the same or next succeeding day; and such motion shall take precedence of all other questions, except a motion to adjourn and a motion to take a recess, but shall not be renewed on the same day. A motion to reconsider any question if laid on the table may be taken therefrom and disposed of at any time within the period allowed by this rule for moving a reconsideration. The motion to postpone indefinitely shall require the votes of a majority of the members-elect, and shall not be reconsidered.

Notice of Reconsideration.

Rule 53. A notice of intention to move for a reconsideration of any bill may be given by any member, and the bill shall be retained by the clerk of the house until after the time expires during which under rule 52, the motion can be made, unless such notice is given within three days of the time when the house will cease to transact business.

Majority Vote.

Rule 54. Any proposition which requires for its adoption a two-thirds vote may, upon failure of adoption, be reconsidered by a majority vote.

*Motions for Calls of the House.**Ordering Calls of the House.*

Rule 55. Calls of the house may be ordered upon motion by a majority of the members present, but such majority shall not be less than fifteen in number. A motion for a call of the house shall not be entertained after the previous question is ordered.

Procedure.

Rule 56. After a call of the house is ordered the members shall not be permitted to go without the bar of the house without leave of the house. The roll of the house shall be called by the clerk and the absentees noted. The doors shall then be closed and the sergeant-at-arms may, upon motion, be despatched after the absentees. In such case a list of the absentees shall be furnished by the clerk to the sergeant-at-arms, who shall report such absentees at the bar of the house with all possible speed. In case the sergeant-at-arms shall require assistance in addition to the regularly appointed assistant sergeants-at-arms of the house, the speaker may, upon motion, deputize any person properly qualified as a special assistant sergeant-at-arms.

BILLS.*Introduction.*

Rule 57. A bill may be introduced in order at any time, without notice, unless it has for its purpose the changing of the charter of a corporation, in which case at least one day's notice shall be given, which notice shall be in writing and shall contain the title of the bill. All bills shall be introduced in duplicate and shall be in typewritten or printed form.

Order of Consideration.

Rule 58. The regular order to be taken by bills introduced in the house shall be as follows:

1. Notice of introduction (if a bill proposing an amendment to an act of incorporation).
2. Introduction, first and second readings of title and reference to a committee by the speaker.
3. Report by the committee and placing on the general orders (if an appropriation bill, reference to the committee on ways and means, report by that committee and then placing on the general orders).
4. Consideration in the committee of the whole in order of reference.
5. Report by the committee of the whole and placing on order of third reading of bills.
6. Third reading at length and vote on passage.
7. Transmission to senate (if passed).
8. Return by senate and reference to clerk for enrollment printing.
9. Report by clerk of enrollment printing and presentation to the governor.

Senate bills shall, as far as possible, take the same course as house bills.

All resolutions proposing amendments to the constitution shall take the same course as bills.

Nothing in this rule contained shall be construed to prevent a majority of the members-elect of the house from discharging a committee from the further consideration of any measure. A notice of at least one day shall be given of a motion to discharge any such committee, said notice to be in writing and entered in the journal. In case a committee of the house is discharged from the further consideration of a bill, the bill shall be printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general orders.

The notice above mentioned may, if the motion made thereunder does not prevail, be offered again on succeeding days of the same legislative session, but not upon the same day.

Reading.

Rule 59. Every bill shall receive three several readings previous to its passage. The first and second readings may be by its title only, but the third reading shall be in full, unless otherwise ordered by the house, and on a day subsequent to that on which it receives its second reading or passed the committee of the whole house. No bill shall be passed until it has been printed and in the possession of the house for at least five days. A request by a member that a bill be printed out of regular order must be in writing and shall be referred to the committee on printing for determination.

Commitment and Amendment.

Rule 60. No bill shall be committed or amended until it has passed its first and second readings. No bill shall be altered or amended on its passage through the house so as to change its original purpose.

Amendment; Vote.

Rule 61. Bills which have been considered in committee of the whole may be amended by the house by a majority vote of all the members-elect. When any bill considered in committee of the whole shall have been recommitted, any amendments made thereto by the committee may be concurred in by a majority vote of the members present and voting thereon.

Rule 62. Bills placed on the order of third reading, or their final passage, without having been considered in committee of the whole, may be amended prior to their passage by a majority vote of the members present and voting thereon.

Majority Vote on Bills.

Rule 63. On the final passage of every bill the vote shall be taken by yeas and nays and entered on the journal. No bill shall be declared passed, unless a majority of all the members elected to the house shall have voted in favor of its passage.

Two-Thirds Vote.

Rule 64. No bill appropriating the public money or property for local or private purposes, or providing for the incorporation of trust companies or corporations for banking purposes, or regulating the business thereof, or amending or repealing any law providing for such incorporation or regulation shall be passed, unless two-thirds of the members elected to the house shall have voted in favor of the passage thereof.

Title; Object; Reference to Compiler's Sections.

Rule 65. No bill shall embrace more than one object, which shall be expressed in its title. If the bill proposes any amendment to existing laws enacted prior to the last general compilation, the title shall contain also a reference to the compiler's section or sections of the compiled laws.

SPECIAL ORDERS.

Rule 66. Any subject matter made the special order for a particular day not having been reached on that day shall come up for consideration under the order of "unfinished business" on the next succeeding legislative day.

CHAPTER VI.

MISCELLANEOUS.

READING AND ENDORSEMENT OF PAPERS.

Reading.

Rule 67. When the reading of a paper is called for and an objection is raised to such reading, the house shall determine whether or not the paper shall be read.

Endorsement.

Rule 68. Every member presenting a paper containing subject matter for the consideration of the house shall endorse the same with a statement of its subject or contents and his name.

YEAS AND NAYS.

How Called.

Rule 69. In taking the yeas and nays upon any question the names of the members shall be called alphabetically.

Demands for Yeas and Nays.

Rule 70. Upon the passage of any question the vote shall be taken by yeas and nays and entered upon the journal of the house on the demand of any ten members.

RULES AND PRACTICE.

Amendment or Suspension of Rules.

Rule 71. Any rule of the house may be altered by a majority vote of the members-elect, but no rule shall be amended unless such amendment is in writing and in possession of the house five days prior to its consideration. A rule may be suspended by a vote of two-thirds of the members shown to be present by the journal entries.

Practice.

Rule 72. The rules of parliamentary practice comprised in Cushing's "Law and Practice of Legislative Assemblies" shall govern in all cases

in which they are not inconsistent with the standing rules and orders of the house or the constitution of the state of Michigan.

APPEALS.

Form of Question.

Rule 73. On all appeals from the decisions of the chair, the question shall be "Shall the judgment of the chair stand as the judgment of the house?" which question shall be decided by a rising vote, unless otherwise ordered by the house.

Debate.

Rule 74. No member shall speak more than once on the question of an appeal without leave of the house.

Tabling Appeals.

Rule 75. An appeal may be laid on the table but shall not carry with it subject matter before the house at the time such appeal is taken.

Mr. Nank offered the following resolution:

House resolution No. 2.

Resolved, That the Speaker appoint a special committee, consisting of three Representatives, to inform the Senate that the House has completed its organization and is ready for the transaction of business.

The resolution was adopted.

The Speaker appointed as such committee, Messrs. Nank, Tufts and Edwards.

Mr. Wolcott offered the following resolution:

House resolution No. 3.

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed by the Speaker on the part of the House, to join a committee on the part of the Senate, to wait on the Governor and notify him that the two houses have completed their organization and will be pleased to meet in joint convention, at such time as he may designate, to receive his message.

The resolution was adopted.

The Speaker appointed as such committee Messrs. Wolcott, Amon and Sutton.

Mr. Foote offered the following resolution:

House resolution No. 4.

Resolved, That the Speaker appoint ten committee clerks, such committee clerks to be at the service of the members of the House for such work as pertains to their official duties; a document room keeper; an assistant document room keeper; a cloak room keeper; an assistant cloak room keeper; twelve assistant janitors, one of whom shall be designated by the Speaker to have charge of the janitor service, and five of whom shall be designated by the Speaker to assist the Sergeant-at-arms in his duties; a janitress for the gallery; a Speaker's clerk; a Speaker's messenger and eleven floor messengers.

The resolution was adopted.

Mr. Hinkley offered the following resolution:

House resolution No. 5.

Resolved, That the Clerk is hereby authorized to appoint a stenographer, a messenger, an assistant to the Journal Clerk, an assistant to the Bill Clerk, a mailing clerk, an assistant mailing clerk, and a messenger for the proof room.

The resolution was adopted.

Mr. James D. Jerome offered the following resolution:

House resolution No. 6.

Resolved, That the hour of two o'clock p. m., unless otherwise ordered, be fixed as the time at which the House shall convene in daily session.

The resolution was adopted.

Mr. Henry offered the following resolution:

House resolution No. 7.

Resolved, That there be paid to Charles S. Pierce, Clerk, and Sydney D. Hall, Journal Clerk, of the House of Representatives of 1913, the sum of fifty dollars each for their services in organizing the present House, as required by the statute.

The resolution was adopted.

Mr. Stevenson offered the following resolution:

House resolution No. 8.

Resolved, That A. A. Bush, the Sergeant-at-arms of the last House, be paid the sum of twenty-five dollars for his services in the organization of this House.

The resolution was adopted.

By unanimous consent, the House took up the order of

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting Senate concurrent resolution No. 1.

Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring), That Lewis S. Walter be and is hereby elected Legislative Postmaster, and Ezra S. Hall be and is hereby elected Assistant Legislative Postmaster for the Legislature of 1915.

The question being on concurring in the adoption of the resolution, The House concurred.

A message was also received from the Senate informing the House that the Senate had elected the following officers:

President pro tem., Senator Walter R. Taylor.

Secretary, Dennis E. Alward.

A message was also received from the Senate transmitting Senate resolution No. 3.

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed by the President

on the part of the Senate, to join a committee on the part of the House of Representatives, to wait on the Governor and notify him that the two Houses have completed their organization and will be pleased to meet in joint convention at such time as he may designate, to receive his inaugural message;

And further informing the House that Senators Murtha, Verdier and Covert have been appointed as such committee on the part of the Senate.

A message was also received from the Senate transmitting Senate concurrent resolution No. 3.

Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring), That the Senate and House of Representatives meet in joint session in the Hall of the House of Representatives, January 7th, 1915, at two o'clock p. m., to listen to the inaugural message of Governor Woodbridge N. Ferris.

The question being on concurring in the adoption of the resolution, The House concurred.

Mr. Stevens moved that the House take a recess until 5:10 o'clock p. m.

The motion prevailed.

AFTER RECESS.

5:10 o'clock p. m.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

The special committee appointed to inform the Senate that the House had completed its organization and was ready for the transaction of business, through its chairman, Mr. Nank, reported that it had performed the duty assigned it.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The special committee appointed on the part of the House, to act with a committee on the part of the Senate to advise the Governor that the two Houses had completed their organization and were ready to receive his message, through its chairman, Mr. Wolcott, reported that it had performed the duty assigned it, and that the Governor will be pleased to deliver his message to the House and Senate assembled in joint convention, Thursday, January 7th, at two o'clock p. m.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

Mr. Schmidt moved that when the House adjourns today it stand adjourned until tomorrow at 1:30 o'clock p. m.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. James D. Jerome moved that the House adjourn.

The motion prevailed, the time being 5:20 o'clock p. m.

The Speaker declared the House adjourned until tomorrow at 1:30 o'clock p. m.

CHARLES S. PIERCE,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.

SECOND DAY.

Lansing, Thursday, January 7.

1:30 o'clock p. m.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

Religious exercises were conducted by Rev. Horace Cady Wilson, of the First Presbyterian church, of Lansing.

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk, who announced that a quorum was present.

Messrs. Koehler, Lamphere, Martz, Ormsbee, Frank A. Smith, and Stevenson were absent without leave.

Mr. Henry moved that the absentees without leave be excused from today's session.

The motion prevailed.

Messrs. Amon and Warner asked and obtained leaves of absence from next Tuesday's session.

Messrs. Empson, Palmer and Snow asked and obtained indefinite leaves of absence after today's session.

By unanimous consent, the House took up the order of

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. James D. Jerome offered the following concurrent resolution:
House concurrent resolution No. 1.

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring),
That when the Legislature adjourns today, January 7th, it stand ad-

journed until Tuesday, January 12th.

The Speaker announced that under Rule 50 the resolution would lie over one day.

Mr. Jerome moved that Rule 50 be suspended.

The motion prevailed, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,
The resolution was adopted.

Mr. Ashley offered the following resolution:

House resolution No. 9.

Resolved, That in accordance with rule 2 of the House rules the Speaker of the House assign to the duly accredited representatives of the press proper seats on the floor of the House for their use.

The resolution was adopted.

Mr. Flowers offered the following resolution:

House resolution No. 10.

Resolved, That House Rule 30 be and is hereby amended by amending paragraphs two and three of said rule to read as follows:

The committees on city corporations, education, fish and fisheries, general taxation, liquor traffic, private corporations, public lands and forestry interests, railroads, revision and amendment of the statutes, state affairs and ways and means shall consist of nine members each.

The committees on apportionment, elections, judiciary and revision and amendment of the constitution shall consist of thirteen members each.

The Speaker announced that in accordance with Rule 71 the resolution would lie over five days.

Mr. Flowers moved that the rules be suspended.

The motion prevailed, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,
The resolution was adopted.

Mr. Henry offered the following resolution:

House resolution No. 11.

Resolved, That the Speaker appoint a special committee, consisting of three Representatives, to group the committees of the House for assignment to committee rooms.

The resolution was adopted.

Mr. Oakley offered the following concurrent resolution:

House concurrent resolution No. 2.

Resolved by the House (the Senate concurring), That the Clerk of the House and the Secretary of the Senate be instructed to mail, in their discretion, copies of the daily Journal upon written requests therefor; and copies to each person whose address shall be furnished them by a member of the House or Senate, but no Senator shall be allowed to furnish more than twenty-five names and no Representative more than fifteen names; and that the amount of postage on such copies of said Journal so sent out shall be paid by the State Treasurer on the warrant

of the Auditor General on the presentation of bills duly certified by the Clerk of the House or the Secretary of the Senate, showing that such stamps have been purchased and used only for the payment of postage in mailing copies of the Journal hereby ordered to be distributed.

The Speaker announced that under Rule 50 the resolution would lie over one day.

Mr. Oakley moved that Rule 50 be suspended.

The motion prevailed, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,
The resolution was adopted.

Mr. Frank A. Smith entered the House and took his seat.

Mr. Haviland offered the following concurrent resolution:

House concurrent resolution No. 3.

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That the Secretary of State be and is hereby requested to furnish each member and officer of the Legislature of 1915 with one copy of the Compiled Laws of 1897, together with one copy each of the Public Acts of the regular and special sessions published since such compilation of 1897.

The Speaker announced that under Rule 50 the resolution would lie over one day.

Mr. Haviland moved that a special committee, consisting of three members, be appointed to notify the Senate that the House was ready to meet in joint convention at 2 oclock p. m.

The motion prevailed.

The Speaker appointed as such committee Messrs. Haviland, Kemmerling and Matthews.

The Sergeant-at-arms announced the committee of the House appointed to notify the Senate that it was ready to meet in joint convention.

The committee, through its chairman, Mr. Haviland, reported that it had performed the duty assigned it, and was discharged.

The Sergeant-at-arms announced the Lieutenant Governor and members of the Senate, who were admitted and conducted to seats.

JOINT CONVENTION.

The joint convention was called to order by the President of the joint convention, Hon. Luren D. Dickinson, President of the Senate.

The roll of the Senate was called by the Secretary, who announced that a quorum of the Senate was present.

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk, who announced that a quorum of the House was present.

The President of the joint convention announced that the two houses of the Legislature had met to receive the message of the Governor.

Senator Walters moved that a committee consisting of three members be appointed to inform the Governor that the two houses were assembled in joint convention and were ready to receive his message.

The motion prevailed.

The President of the joint convention appointed as such committee Senator Walters and Representatives Keen and Newel Smith.

Mr. Flowers moved that a committee consisting of three members be appointed to invite the Justices of the Supreme Court to be present at the joint convention.

The motion prevailed.

The President of the joint convention appointed as such committee Representative Flowers, Senator Wood and Representative Empson.

Mr. Foote moved that a committee consisting of three members be appointed to invite the State Officers to be present at the joint convention.

The motion prevailed.

The President of the joint convention appointed as such committee Representative Foote, Senator Taylor and Representative Oakley.

The Sergeant-at-arms announced the committee appointed to invite the State Officers to be present at the joint convention.

The State Officers, escorted by the committee, were conducted to seats.

The Sergeant-at-arms announced the committee of the joint convention appointed to invite the Justices of the Supreme Court to attend the joint convention.

The Justices, escorted by the committee, were conducted to seats.

The Sergeant-at-arms announced the committee of the joint convention appointed to wait on the Governor.

The Governor, escorted by the committee, was conducted to a seat.

The President of the joint convention introduced the Governor, who read his message to the convention.

The message was as follows:

Gentlemen of the Legislature:

In addressing the Michigan Legislature of 1913, I assumed that the best interests of the State could be conserved through co-operation. While the three departments of government, the executive, the legislative and the judicial are distinct, they are not independent; in other words they are so inter-related that unity of purpose must be observed. At the same time each department has its own imperative duties, its own responsibilities. Possibly there have been occasions in the past when members of the State Legislatures have, against their own best judgment, yielded to the wishes of their constituency, expecting that the Governor would correct, through his veto power, errors they might be persuaded to make. That precedent, if it ever was a precedent, is unwise and militates against efficiency in legislative action.

In the 1913 session of the Michigan Legislature, I used the veto power sparingly. The Executive Office was always open to every member of the Legislature and to every committee for conference, in order that the best interests of the State could be conserved. In the present session of 1915 I shall pursue the same plan, believing that the citizenship of the State will hold the Legislature, together with the Governor, responsible for the sacred performance of their duties. These duties are so clearly defined that no public official can be excused for going wide of the mark. The tendency of the age is to expect altogether too much of every legislative body, and under-estimate the performance of the homely every day duties of citizenship. As a result of this tendency, too many laws are put upon our statute books. The all-important ideal is quality not quantity. If by some process of sifting this Legislature could concentrate its forces upon a few important measures, a legislative step would be taken in the right direction. By careful and consistent co-operation of the legislative and executive departments, the frequency of the Governor's veto can be reduced to the minimum.

SYSTEM OF ENACTING LAWS.

I have already mailed to every member of the present Legislature a copy of a plan for proposed changes in our system of enacting laws. By adopting the essentials of this plan, this Legislature can reduce the quantity, and greatly improve the quality of our statutory laws. This proposal will not require additional legislation in order to become operative. It can be accomplished by the adoption of a rule in the Senate and House of Representatives. It has, however, the advantage of not creating any new offices nor requiring any additional appropriations. You will all agree that in the making of laws a system should be devised which will accomplish the following results: Accuracy of statement; simplicity of language; consistency; not contradictory; brevity; exclusive and inclusive averments; orderly arrangement; constitutionality. These ends are not attained in our present system.

The maker of this plan suggests that the Legislature amend its rule so as to create a joint committee of arrangement, phraseology and conformity. Every bill as it passes the committee of the whole in each

house should be referred to this committee and examined as to its validity, accuracy, consistency, simplicity, brevity, orderly arrangement, phraseology, et cetera. This committee would have the power to propose amendments or even a substitute in case they found any of the foregoing imperfections. They should have no power to alter the general purpose of the bill. Every bill would pass through the hands of this committee before it is placed upon its final passage.

The primary value of this plan lies in the fact that we have here a committee of experts through whose hands every bill must pass before it becomes a law—a committee whose sole attention is directed to the discovery and the correction of the defects indicated.

I hope that you have examined this proposed plan with the utmost care. Some of the very ablest lawyers and judges, without reference to their political affiliations, have pronounced this plan worthy of adoption.

I urge upon you at this time the very great importance of giving this plan a trial at this session.

PRIMARY ELECTION LAW.

The present primary election law is the best one that Michigan has yet had on its statute books. This is proven by the fact that last August more citizens of Michigan voted at the primaries than ever before in the history of the State. Like all human laws it has its limitations. Some of these can be remedied by further legislation.

The principal complaint against the primary is that in a large field of candidates for a given office a minority candidate is sometimes chosen. This can be remedied largely by having a preferential ballot with columns for first and second choice. The chief objection to this plan lies in the fact that the voter must exercise his intelligence, the one absolutely essential thing for a voter to do.

In recent political conferences it has been suggested that the primary should include the remainder of the elective state officials. My recommendation of two years ago and repeated this year for the adoption of the short ballot, meets this demand admirably.

Several other debatable suggestions have been given publicity. Because a good workable primary law is of the greatest concern, it might be well to make a most searching investigation through a competent commission before making radical changes in our present law.

BALLOT REFORM.

If the people are to rule through the agency of the ballot at the election primary, they must simplify our election primary laws. Possibly we are under the delusion that we have had the Australian Ballot system for many years, but as a matter of fact such is not the case. It is claimed that the present party column ballot is easy for the ignorant voter to vote the straight party ticket, but it is difficult for the independent voter to split the party ticket. The double system of marking the ballot with a circle on the top and squares at the sides gives rise to endless confusion. Many voters mark the squares to the side of the first name on the ticket, believing that this mark votes the whole ticket. Election inspectors say that one voter in ten fails to mark his ballot

properly, indicating that fifty thousand Michigan voters are annually disfranchised in whole or in part, by the present complicated ballot. Our ballots should be changed to the genuine Australian Ballot similar to that provided by the Massachusetts law. The advantage in this ballot is that there is but one way to mark it. No complicated instructions are necessary. In voting each candidate's name comes under the eyes of the voter, and he places a cross in front of the name of every man he wishes to vote for.

SHORT BALLOT.

Many citizens think that the people are called on to elect too many officials. An examination of our election returns for many years will disclose the fact that the people exercise much independence in voting for Governor, some in selecting a Lieutenant Governor, but below that office the candidates for the state offices receive practically the same vote regardless of their individual merits. If, for example, anything goes wrong in the State Treasurer's office, the blame is promptly laid on the Governor, although he has no control over that office.

In the interest of better government and a shorter ballot, why would it not be a good idea to submit a constitutional amendment providing for the election of Governor and Lieutenant Governor and that the remainder of the elective state officials be appointed by the Governor and to act as his cabinet and advisers in state affairs. The ballot could also be shortened by abolishing the offices of circuit court commissioners and coroners, and providing that justices of the peace may perform the duties of these officials.

PUBLICITY FOR CANDIDATES.

It is necessary that each candidate should get his name and ideas on public questions before the public. Newspaper advertising is very expensive. In this form of publicity the rich man has an advantage over his poorer brother. Small fortunes are frequently spent to gain a single office that doesn't pay one-half of the amount in return salary. I suggest that the Oregon system of publicity be carefully considered. In that State an election pamphlet is published by the State. Each candidate of every party paying a nominal sum can have a certain amount of space, give his biography and views on public questions and if some proposition or enactment is submitted, it is printed in full in this pamphlet, and an argument for and against by its most active advocate or enemy is also printed. The pamphlet is mailed at the state's expense to every registered voter ninety days before election. As a result of this publicity pamphlet, Oregon has become a great school for the study of political questions.

THE BUDGET SYSTEM.

Several states in making appropriations have tried what is called the budget system. This system requires the various departments and institutions to file their estimates in advance of a legislative session and provides for examination of these estimates by a competent authority

which shall have both the time and the facilities to check the estimates down to rock-bottom necessity; that will then carry the estimates and the recommendations of the surveyors to the Legislature; and that will require the Legislature to frame one single "budget" appropriation bill to cover the entire needs of the State. This system has from time to time been advocated in Michigan. While reports from the states that have tried the system are not uniformly favorable, it might be well for this Legislature to give this proposed plan consideration. If in this session you haven't the time to perfect an adequate system, I suggest that the finance committee meet after the adjournment of the present session and sit as a special commission to recommend a suitable plan to a subsequent legislature.

TAXATION.

The taxation system of Michigan, except as to property specifically taxed, is based upon a general property tax. Its operations for the most part are satisfactory and in many respects most admirable. It is the only system of taxation with which the taxpayers of Michigan are familiar. Recommendations of radical departures from this system, such as separation of state and local taxation, transfer of the taxes paid by public service corporations from the primary school fund of the State, substitution of a progressive income tax for intangible personal property taxes, should only be made after the most careful study of the constitutional, legislative and administrative changes that would be involved. I, therefore, suggest only such changes in, or additions to existing laws as will tend to produce "equality of burden" under the present system and promote cash value assessments and better administration of the general property tax.

Repeal the present mortgage tax law and other laws exempting secured debts from all taxation on making a single fixed payment; substitute a tax providing for an annual fixed payment upon both secured and unsecured credits, bank deposits and intangible property represented by certificates other than the stocks of domestic corporations; accomplish this through a "specific tax" or preferably by amending the constitution so as to allow classification of property for taxation purposes.

Require all corporations doing business in the State and not now required to make reports and statements to the State Board of Assessors or the Board of State Tax Commissioners to make full and complete sworn statements in writing to the Board of State Tax Commissioners, the second Monday in April of each year, upon forms to be furnished by said board, giving in detail such information as the Board of State Tax Commissioners may deem necessary for properly determining the true valuation of the property of such corporation. Similar statements to be required of any individual, firm or association when deemed necessary to properly value the business of property of such individual, firm or association. A copy of such statement to be furnished to the local assessing officer as soon as practicable after the second Monday in April each year.

Provide for the assessment by the State Board of Assessors of inter-urban railroads, light and power companies and all corporations whose

property extends through more than one assessing district, and the equitable apportionment of the same among the several assessing districts in which located.

Repeal the law exempting from taxation credits that can be offset by debits.

Change the personnel of the State Board of Equalization by making it consist of the three tax commissioners, the Attorney General and the Governor of the State.

Enact a law providing for a rate of taxation for state, county, municipal and school purposes, designating for each a limit beyond which taxing officers cannot go without special authorization in each case.

Require all field men on being promoted to the rank of examiner to take the constitutional oath of office, the same as is required of supervisors and other assessing officers.

FARM FORESTRY.

Amend Act No. 135, Public Acts of 1911, for the encouragement of farm forestry, by removing the restriction on the use of the products of such forests for strictly farm purposes.

The examiners of the State Tax Commission have not reported a single instance where advantage has been taken of this act, and on inquiry as to the reasons for failure to do so have invariably been told that the requirements of the act in many ways were such that they could not be complied with.

The requirements of the application are not only puzzling to the applicant and difficult to be complied with but are of little apparent benefit to the treasurer and assessing officer in determining whether it should be exempt as a farm forest. The provisions as to cutting prevent the owner from cutting and removing anything, whether posts to fence a field, or wood for fuel, or timbers for a building, or a stick for any purpose, without first notifying the supervisor of his intention to cut, and having him appraise the trees selected and issue a license to cut the same, and paying to the treasurer a fee of five per cent of the appraised valuation.

The farm wood lot is as much a part of the farm as the barn or the pasture and must be drawn upon many times a year, and the use of its products for strictly farm purposes should be as free and unrestrained as is the use of other parts of the farm, as long as the requirements as to the number of trees, of original or second growth, are not violated. The restrictions as they now exist make it impossible to so use it. From the standpoint of revenue the fee of five per cent of appraised value would not pay the necessary per diem of supervisor, treasurer and clerk, all of whom are brought into every transaction.

Restrictions upon the cutting of such farm forests for commercial purposes should be continued but restrictions upon the use of its products for general farm purposes must be done away with if any general use of the act is ever made.

CONSERVATION OF OUR NATURAL RESOURCES.

One of the great duties of this generation is to see that the natural resources of our country are conserved and passed on to future generations as little impaired as possible.

Conservation means the proper use of things, and whenever the disuse of a natural resource permits of waste, then such disuse is not true conservation. The people of this generation are entitled to the use of the natural resources of the country, but no man should be allowed to destroy the seed which is to produce the harvest for the generations to follow us.

The Public Domain Commission, which has charge of matters pertaining to conservation in this State, is doing a great work along the line of reforestation of the cut-over lands and the protection of growing timber from fire, and I would advise that some settled policy be adopted in regard to its work, and that a continuous and accumulating appropriation be made so that the results of the work now being done may be protected and perpetuated.

BLUE SKY LAW.

The last Legislature passed a law to regulate the sale of securities in this State and created the Michigan Securities Commission. Soon after the law took effect its validity was assailed in both the federal and state courts. The federal court held it invalid by reason of certain of its provisions, and the State court upheld it in all particulars, although an appeal was taken from the latter decision. Pending a final decision, the commission has enforced the law except as restrained by the federal court. It has passed upon securities aggregating \$45,000,000 and has collected in fees nearly \$14,000. It has prevented the sale of millions of dollars of worthless securities and has carried out the purpose of the act. At the meeting of the Attorneys General held in Washington in October a committee consisting of the Attorneys General of Michigan, Iowa and Arkansas was appointed to prepare and submit to the legislatures of the various states of the nation a new bill, which will, so far as possible, meet the objections to the validity of the present act. This bill will be submitted to you, and I earnestly recommend its enactment into law.

In this connection I call your attention to the corporation laws of the State and suggest their amendment as one of the means of preventing fraud in the sale of stocks. Under the present corporation laws only 10% of the authorized capital of the corporation is required to be paid in. Parties turning in property to a corporation fix their own values in their articles of association. I recommend that no corporation be permitted to organize unless at least 50% of its authorized capital be paid in, and that when property makes up any part of such payment that an appraisal of such property be had by some officer of the State.

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION.

We now have a railroad commission which is given the power to fix rates and regulate the practices of railroads, telephones and power companies. I would recommend the enlargement of the powers of this commission to cover all public utility corporations of the State. Furthermore, as there can be no intelligent fixing of charges without a knowledge of the real value of the properties, I would recommend that the commission be authorized to make physical valuation of all such

properties that they may deem advisable, that the rates fixed may return reasonable dividends on actual cash investment.

INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES.

In magnitude and duration, the Michigan copper strike of 1913-14 was one of the greatest that has occurred in modern times. The cost to the State, the cost to one of its greatest industries, the cost to labor, was enormous. The duty of the Governor was simple and clearly defined. Not a single life was sacrificed through any action of the Michigan National Guard, not a single member of the guard suffered at the hands of the strikers. The laws of Michigan for the protection of life and property were enforced in a manner that reflects credit upon the entire State. Capital and labor, however, are mutually dependent. The fact that the Federal Government, up to the present hour, has not been able to enact a mediation law satisfactory to either capital or labor, indicates the gravity of the problem. Sooner or later the principle of co-operation must be accepted and adopted. To the end that the best interests of all may be conserved, I suggest the creation of a court of inquiry composed of the circuit judge of the circuit where the industrial dispute arises, the Governor and Attorney General of the State, and one or more members appointed on the nomination of the parties involved; or a board composed in some other manner, which shall investigate the matter in dispute and make a public finding thereof, with such recommendations as they believe are warranted to secure justice for both parties. It is generally admitted that compulsory arbitration is impractical. In the light of legislative experience little more can be accomplished than to focus public opinion upon industrial disputes.

THE WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION LAW.

This law has been in operation a little more than two years; it has, therefore, had a practical test. On the whole, the results have been highly satisfactory. I make the following suggestions with reference to amendments:

First: There should be a provision added to the law covering under proper restrictions portions of work which are let or sublet on contract by manufacturers and builders, so as to reasonably insure the protection of the compensation law to all of the men engaged in such work, whether they are working directly for the principal or doing his work through some contract or sub-contract.

Second: Our Supreme Court has recently decided that the Michigan Compensation Law does not cover that class of injuries known as occupational diseases, such for instance as lead poisoning, but is limited strictly to injuries received by accident. There can be no reasonable ground for denying the same measure of compensation to the workman or his dependents in case of the loss of life or limb suffered through an occupational disease, as is given in case where such loss is sustained by accident. Both arise out of the employment and result from the hazards of the industry, and both are justly entitled to the same measure of compensation.

Third: The provision of the compensation law requiring the em-

ployer to furnish the injured employe with medical and hospital service and medicine for a period of three weeks following the injury is wholly inadequate. The first and greatest need of the workman in case of injury is medical attention and care, and the amount of medical attention and care furnished should in all cases be proportionate to the injury, the same as the money compensation provided for.

Fourth: The provision of section 11 part 2 of the compensation law fixing the rate of compensation in seasonable occupations, should be amended so that the earnings of the injured workman in other like employments may be taken into consideration in computing the rate of compensation. The real test should be the earning capacity of the man in the general class of work in which he was employed at the time of the injury.

Beyond a reasonable doubt other amendments will occur to members of the Legislature. My attention has been called to several other minor points, but I have not deemed them of sufficient importance to make special mention of them in this message.

BANKING REGULATION.

Experience proves that the welfare of the people in their relation to banking institutions cannot be too carefully guarded. State banks and national banks are subject to state and national supervision. In spite of this supervision there is a feeling that further steps should be taken to secure depositors. While I would not recommend extreme legislation for the further protection of the depositor, I do believe that this subject should receive careful consideration at the hands of the Legislature. I can see no reason why private banks should not have the state supervision and be required on call to file statements. Under no circumstances would I legislate so as to imperil the progress and development of small banks. There are communities where the needs of the people make the small banks a necessity. The interests of the people in these villages, however, should be as carefully guarded as are the interests of the people in the larger cities.

GOOD ROADS.

During the past two years public enthusiasm for good roads has rapidly increased throughout the United States. This enthusiasm will continue to grow. Michigan has kept pace with most of the States in the Union. I believe that our system is excellent. By this I do not mean that we have solved all the problems connected with this work. The problem of problems is how to proceed in the building of good roads so as to bestow the greatest benefit upon the whole state. Trunk lines are of tremendous importance, but we must not forget that the great majority of people are naturally most interested in good roads that lead to markets. The fact that our present good roads constitute a sort of patch-work in the State, does not argue that our plans are wholly unwise and unsatisfactory. The farmer who draws his produce over a mile of good road, and then over a mile of poor road, gets an object lesson that he cannot get from periodicals and lecturers. It is the duty of this Legislature to study the problems of good roads with reference to immediate legislation whereby these fundamental features can be

substantially encouraged. One month ago I appointed a "Good Roads Commission" to investigate conditions, devise plans and make recommendations to this legislature. Two years ago I suggested that the fees arising from automobile licenses should be turned into the highway fund. I still believe that this was a wise suggestion.

MARKET COMMISSION.

The State of Michigan, through its Agricultural College, the farmer's institutes and various private organizations, is engaged in the great educational work of teaching the farmer how to double his productions. Already the effects of this teaching are manifested. Michigan ranks first in the production of potatoes and our producers are offered 20 cents a bushel for their potatoes, which is below the cost of production. While producers are receiving 20 cents a bushel for potatoes, consumers of these potatoes in southern Michigan are paying as high as 70 cents a bushel.

Michigan is the second State in the Union in the production of apples. It is reported that our production was so great last fall that thousands of bushels of apples rotted on the ground under the trees. Fancy apples, which brought 25 cents a bushel in northern Michigan, sold for 25 cents a peck and upwards in southern Michigan.

If it is the business of the State to educate the farmer to double his production, it is also the business of the State to see that increased production is properly marketed and that it does not become a disaster instead of a blessing. There is no sense in raising two blades of grass where one grew before, if no one else gets the extra blade. If the State is to continue encouraging an increasing production, it should likewise by means of a market commission take part in disposing of that increased production. Early in 1914, New York established a "Department of Foods and Markets," which is worthy of your careful study. Either a separate commission might be created or the scope of the Dairy and Food Department might be enlarged along these lines.

PUBLIC HEALTH.

According to the report of the Secretary of the State Board of Health, the total expenditures of this department have not exceeded \$37,000 in the last year. Comparing Michigan with other states, the quality and quantity of health service rendered, this amount is astonishingly low. I am convinced that increased appropriations for this department would bring richer returns, measured in money, than could be procured through any other department of the State. I wish that careful consideration be given to the importance of legislation whereby the State will be divided into districts and an efficient health officer preside over each district. These health officers should be paid out of the general fund of the State. These health officers would be selected with the greatest care. With the entire State under this kind of supervision, we would make positive strides towards increasing the wealth and health of this great State. As an illustration of what efficient work will accomplish, Detroit furnishes a remarkable example in handling the tuberculosis problem. I am most emphatically in favor of conducting a health revival,

and the best place to begin this revival is through the agency of the Michigan Legislature. I wish it were possible for every member of the Legislature to investigate and see for himself what can be accomplished towards stamping out tuberculosis as well as bringing health to those who are afflicted. At the State Sanatorium, Howell, provisions should be made for a children's pavilion. It ought not to be necessary for the Governor or any official or citizen to plead for the welfare of children. I feel confident that ample provisions will be made for the tubercular children who should be taken care of at Howell.

The State should also establish, in the Upper Peninsula, a branch laboratory under the immediate direction of the State Board of Health. At the present time it is practically impossible for the Upper Peninsula to submit specimens to the Lansing laboratory and get back a report in suitable time to be of value. This branch laboratory should be under the supervision of a practical bacteriologist of the Michigan State Board of Health. I further suggest that the State Board of Health receive sufficient additional appropriation to enable this board to provide a dental surgeon, whose duty it would be to visit each and every school in this State during the school term, and by lectures, lantern slides and other methods, teach the children the importance of dental hygiene. In other states wonderful results have been achieved through this phase of sanitary education. I could offer scores of other suggestions, but I am exceedingly anxious that the things of greatest importance should receive first consideration.

HABIT FORMING DRUGS.

The use of habit forming drugs destroys the body, mind and soul, and their use is increasing in Michigan to an alarming extent. Last month Congress passed laws that make stringent regulations as to inter-state shipments.

Since the last Legislature met it has developed that we practically have no law regulating the sale of morphine and its derivatives. Our special law for cocaine with a few additions could be made very effective. The Legislature should pass a law, based on our present cocaine law embracing cocaine, morphine, heroin and all other habit forming drugs which should as near as possible be uniform with the federal laws. Such a law should prevent the sale and use of all these drugs at retail except on the prescription of a reputable physician.

HOUSING REFORM.

"The housing problem is the problem of enabling the great mass of the people who want to live in decent surroundings and bring up their children under proper conditions to have such opportunities. It is also to a very large extent the problem of preventing other people who either do not care for decent conditions or are unable to achieve them from maintaining conditions which are a menace to their neighbors, to the community and civilization."

The larger cities of Michigan are especially interested in the solution of this problem. Already the states of California, Connecticut, Indiana, Kentucky, Massachusetts, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania and

Wisconsin have housing laws. I suggest that this Legislature enact a housing law of state wide application. "A Model Housing Law," by Lawrence Vellier, Secretary National Housing Association, furnishes a scientific basis for this much needed law.

SANITARY SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

For more than a quarter of a century I have made a careful study of the school houses in Michigan. The majority of them are unsanitary and unfit for "live stock" to occupy. They rarely furnish adequate light, never furnish a proper supply of pure air, and are not comfortably heated, and on the whole are destructive to the health of school children. It should be remembered that the ordinary school room, unlike the ordinary dwelling room, is frequently occupied by a very large number of children. Probably no one reform would exert a greater influence in reducing the death rate of children than would the construction of sanitary school houses. Ordinary school officers know very little about modern sanitation. It is largely a question of how large a "pen" is required to protect the boys and girls from the inclement weather. A law should be enacted whereby all plans for school houses should be submitted to the Superintendent of Public Instruction and Secretary of the State Board of Health. These officials would approve of the heating, ventilating, lighting, in fact all of the sanitary essentials before the contracts could be entered into for construction. In states where this plan has been pursued satisfactory results have been realized.

SCHOOL BOARDS.

So far as possible, our educational interests should be divorced entirely from partisan politics. In Michigan we have not succeeded in doing this. I suggest an enactment of a mandatory law providing for city boards of education of not to exceed seven members, elected by the people at large. Such school boards should be supervisory and legislative in their function and should have the appointing of two salaried executives, a superintendent and a business manager, each of which shall be responsible for his particular work.

USE EDUCATIONAL EQUIPMENT.

Michigan cities whose population is 5000 and upwards are not using their school equipment more than 50% of the available time. During the vacations, long and short, during Saturdays and six nights of every week educational training should be offered to those who are not of "school age." Many men and women who work during the day are eager for an opportunity to acquire more knowledge and skill along their occupational lines. The city or community that uses its school equipment all of the available time invests a little more money only to realize magnificent dividends. Possibly this Legislature can see its way clear to encourage this extension of our public school work.

A WOMAN'S REFORMATORY.

A careful study of social conditions in Michigan as revealed through the industrial schools, the prisons, the asylums and the homes of epileptics and feeble minded is not altogether encouraging. Most of these institutions are growing larger. True the State is growing larger, but this fact should not blind us to the necessity of stopping, if possible, the source of the unfit. Whenever a radical cure is suggested the cry goes up that the State is endangering the cause of personal liberty. Sooner or later the problem of restricting the production of the unfit must be met. The Legislature of 1913 faced this problem and attempted the beginning of a solution. At the Industrial Home for Girls we have at the least calculation 15% to 20% who are mental defectives. The majority of the 15% to 20% should be transferred to the Michigan Home and Training School. Under existing laws a girl cannot be detained at Adrian after she is twenty-one. If she belongs to the distinctively mental defective class, she leaves the institution to become a menace to society. Incidentally I wish to say that 25% to 50% of criminals who are repeaters belong to the mentally defective class. In the better day coming these defectives will not be given their freedom until they have received such treatment as will make the propagation of their kind impossible. No greater work can occupy the attention of law makers than first how to prevent crime, second how to treat crime.

In Michigan we have no suitable reformatory for women. Ordinarily the treatment of women and children furnishes a fair measure of the quality of a state's civilization. I believe that this Legislature should lose no time in providing for a modern reformatory for women. This reformatory should not be made an annex to any of our present institutions. It should be constructed on the cottage plan whereby the principle of segregation can be observed. Furthermore, organized industry in reformatories under the best sanitary conditions indoors and out-of-doors should constitute the open road to reformation.

Such a reformatory, favorably located, would relieve our jails, the Detroit House of Correction and the Industrial Home for Girls. When you have relieved the Industrial Home for Girls of those seriously defective mentally, and those who belong in a woman's reformatory, you have remaining the girls the school was really intended to serve, the girls who can be trained for lives of noble service. Under these provisions no additional cottage or cottages would be needed immediately at the Industrial Home. Best of all with these provisions the girls at this Home could be treated as the boys at the Industrial School for Boys are treated. The penitentiary features could be eliminated and through wholesome freedom, wholesome living and wholesome training the worth of womanhood could be recognized.

CONSERVATION OF IMPORTANT RECORDS.

My attention has been called to the fact that our various state departments scattered about Lansing have in their possession many very important records. Nearly all of these records are in grave danger.

To illustrate: The Michigan Railroad Commission has records that have cost hundreds of thousands of dollars. These records involve valuations, copies of which do not exist; in fact if they were destroyed

they could not be duplicated for a quarter of a million dollars, and many of them could not be duplicated at all. Beyond a reasonable doubt, other departments have equally important records.

The destruction of the records in the department of the Railroad Commission would be a greater loss than the cost of construction of a modern office building with ample room for safe storage for all. I most earnestly urge that this Legislature arrange for the construction of a modern office building with ample room for safe storage of all records; or if this undertaking is considered too expensive, by all means make provision for taking care of all important records now in possession of the various State departments.

I do not hesitate to recommend the construction of a modern office building whereby all of our departments outside of the Capitol can be housed under one roof, and their records preserved against their possible destruction by fire.

RELOCATION AND IMPERISHABLE MARKING OF THE MICHIGAN-OHIO BOUNDARY.

The Michigan-Ohio boundary, as defined by Congress in 1836, was surveyed in 1837 and resurveyed in 1842. With the disappearance of many of the wooden posts and bearing trees originally marking the position of this line its location has, in many places, become uncertain. Questions of jurisdiction have consequently arisen which can be satisfactorily settled only by a relocation of the line in strict accordance with the original survey.

It has been officially represented that an early relocation and imperishable marking of the joint boundary is of much concern to Ohio and I believe it must also be to Michigan. I, therefore, recommend to your favorable consideration an authorization of the Board of Geological Survey to execute with the authorized representatives of Ohio a relocation and imperishable marking of the Michigan-Ohio boundary with the proviso that half the cost thereof shall be borne by Ohio and that the total cost to Michigan shall not exceed the State Geologist's maximum estimate of \$3,600.00.

ECONOMY.

Economy is a fundamental factor in every successful business enterprise. The State is a great business corporation. A great business corporation employs skillful managers. Skillful managers command large salaries. The State, on account of its prescribed limitations, cannot always use this form of business sense. There are features of government that cannot be fully measured in dollars and cents. The big side of government is always the human side. Our state institutions continue to increase in magnitude and in possibilities for usefulness. Michigan is one of the greatest states in the Union. If she is to keep pace with the needs of her citizenship, these appropriations must necessarily increase. On this account there is the greater necessity for watchful supervision. No longer is there any excuse for fictitious ex-

penses that originate through political friendship. I am sure that the Legislature will co-operate with me in maintaining the utmost economy consistent with efficient service.

WOODBIDGE N. FERRIS,
Governor.

Senator Verdier moved that the joint convention take a recess until 4:30 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of listening to an address to be delivered by Hon. Albert G. Bryant, of Boston, Director of the World's Peace Foundation.

The motion prevailed.

AFTER RECESS.

4:30 o'clock p. m.

The joint convention was called to order by the President.

The business of the joint convention having been completed, the Governor, Justices of the Supreme Court and State officers withdrew.

Senator Powell moved that the joint convention adjourn.

The motion prevailed, the time being 4:40 o'clock p. m.

DENNIS E. ALWARD,
Secretary of the Senate.

CHARLES S. PIERCE,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.
Secretaries of the Joint Convention.

The Lieutenant Governor and members of the Senate having retired, The House was called to order by the Speaker.

The Speaker announced that the House and Senate had met in joint convention and had listened to the message of the Governor.

By unanimous consent, the House took up the order of

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

A message was received from the Senate informing the House that the Senate had concurred in the adoption of the following concurrent resolution :

House concurrent resolution No. 1.

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring),
That when the Legislature adjourns today, January 7th, it stand adjourned until Tuesday, January 12th.

Mr. Flowers moved that the House adjourn.

The motion prevailed, the time being 4:45 o'clock p. m.

The Speaker declared the House adjourned until Tuesday, January 12, at 2 o'clock p. m.

CHARLES S. PIERCE.

Clerk of the House of Representatives.

THIRD DAY.

Lansing, Tuesday, January 12.

2:00 o'clock p. m.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

Religious exercises were conducted by Rev. M. L. Fox, of the Central Methodist Church, of Lansing.

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk, who announced that a quorum was present.

Messrs. Amon, Empson, Snow and Warner were absent with leave.
Messrs. Keen, Pray, Vine and Wright were absent without leave.

Mr. Moore moved that Mr. Vine be excused from today's session.
The motion prevailed.

Mr. Stevens moved that Mr. Pray be excused from today's session
and for the balance of the week.
The motion prevailed.

Mr. Henry moved that the other absentees without leave be excused
from today's session.
The motion prevailed.

Mr. McGraw asked and obtained leave of absence for the balance of
the week.

The Speaker laid before the House the following communication:

To the Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives:

Gentlemen: Honorable Arthur J. Tuttle, United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Michigan, under whose jurisdiction the operation of the Pere Marquette Railroad is now being conducted, has authorized and directed the Receivers to lay before the Legislature of Michigan information relative to the loss sustained by the Road in the handling of its passenger business. In conformity with these instructions, the Receivers wish to present to you in a preliminary way, for such relief as you may find to be merited, the condition of the

Company as it actually is today, with particular reference to the inadequacy of the compensation received for the service it performs in the carrying of passengers.

It is realized, of course, that the condition in which the Pere Marquette finds itself is not peculiar to this Road, but one which affects all roads in the State to some extent at least, and while it may affect the Pere Marquette more than the other lines on account of its greater mileage and larger number of branches, no special relief is sought by it, but only that which may properly apply to all alike. As a purely business proposition, a higher rate than that of the other roads would not help, because at competitive points our traffic would all leave us, and while we would have the rate, our competitors would get the business.

Governor Ferris, with whom the Receivers have conferred, has taken the very fair and reasonable position that if an increase in passenger fares is shown to be deserved, he will not be the one to oppose it, and suggests that the subject be presented to the Legislature in a comprehensive manner, the several railroads of the State to join in presenting one complete case showing the necessity of a general increase in passenger rates. In conformity with this suggestion, we understand that the several railroads of the State are now preparing data for submission to you, and, so far as we are concerned, we will endeavor to prepare the information which we are directed to lay before you along the same lines, so that all of the data may be considered collectively as constituting one complete case. This is with the idea, as we understand it, that confusion will be thus avoided and greater clarity obtained in the consideration of the matter.

In this connection, the findings of the Interstate Commerce Commission with reference to interstate traffic may be of interest and we invite your attention to the views of the Commission as set forth in its recent decision in the so-called Five Per Cent case. In the opinion in that case, you will note that the Commission lays down as one of its premises, the fundamental idea that railroad companies perform a function of the State and that the State owes them an opportunity to earn a fair return on the money invested. It then proceeds to show that passenger as well as freight transportation should contribute its proper share of the cost of operation and return, pointing out that since the passage of the two-cent fare laws there has been an estimated loss on ten roads in this territory of \$18,000,000, the Pere Marquette alone sustaining an estimated loss of \$4,266,232.16, or at a rate of \$600,000 per year. The Commission expresses the belief that if statutory fares are clearly shown to be unduly burdensome, the people will cheerfully acquiesce in reasonable increases, and that the necessary legislative authority will be promptly given.

Commissioner Daniels in his opinion refers to the fact that operating and maintenance expenses have continuously risen while rates, on the other hand, have been either standing still or declining, and very succinctly remarks that a living wage is as necessary for a railroad as for an individual.

In the case of passenger fares, it is evident that the present rate is insufficient. During the last fiscal year the average rate per passenger per mile on the Pere Marquette was 1.89 cents and the cost of handling each passenger per mile was 2.2 cents. Of course, the legal rate of fare

is two cents, but the competition which the road has to meet in cases where it has a longer haul brings the average rate down to the figure named. The average amount received from each passenger was 70 cents, and it cost 80 cents to carry him. The average revenue per train mile was \$1.21, and the average cost of operation was \$1.43. In estimating expenses the proportion of taxes, rentals and hire of equipment properly assignable to passenger traffic has been included, but all abnormal charges such as deferred depreciation have been eliminated.

It will readily be seen that such a condition as this is a burdensome one. The Interstate Commerce Commission has recognized the fact and has permitted interstate passenger fares to be increased from 2 cents to 2½ cents per mile.

The appraisal ordered by Judge Tuttle and just completed by Dean M. E. Cooley, of the University of Michigan, under the direction of the Railroad Commission, will afford a basis for other computations demonstrating conclusively the contention that the present passenger rate is not compensatory.

By direction of the Court, the Receivers have given careful consideration to the question of economy in operation, and it is our candid belief that we have gotten to the point where we can economize no further without impairing the service. It has been necessary, much to our own inconvenience and to the inconvenience of some of our patrons, owing to present conditions, to reduce in some cases the amount of service given. We are earnestly trying to do the best we can to meet a situation which is at least critical, if not desperate. It is evident that we cannot remedy the situation by economies, as large a factor as they are, and that our only hope for relief is at your hands.

We have been asked why we cannot carry passengers as cheaply as the electric roads. In answer, it might be suggested that it is not yet demonstrated that they can profitably operate at a lower rate than the steam lines. The two classes of roads do not, of course, perform the same service. No one will contend that the development in electric transportation has yet reached a point where its service is equivalent to that of the steam roads, or could take the place of it. While possibly their more frequent service locally, their less expensive operation, due to lower wages, lighter equipment and many other items, and the fact that they have selected for their operations the more densely populated portions of the state, which the railroads have built up and with whom the electric roads are now competing, might justify lower rates, it is nevertheless true that they are now charging all that their local franchise will permit, and in the cases where there are no restrictions their rates are on a parity with those of the steam roads.

The Pere Marquette is not, strictly speaking, a through line. It is more properly a local system. It is essentially and primarily a Michigan institution. It has no rich and powerful relations. Its geographical situation is not advantageous. It is surrounded on three sides by water, and subject to the competition of lake carriers. If it could have the same density of population as many other roads of the same mileage and capitalization, and if it could have the same rates that roads in other parts of the country have, it would not today be in its deplorable condition. The freight rates in the territory which it serves are the lowest in the United States.

We most earnestly invite your attention to the consideration of what shall be done to relieve the present situation of the system, which, as we have said, is primarily Michigan's railroad. It serves forty-five counties of this State and a population of two million people. They are depending on its service, and it is our belief that when they realize the existing state of affairs, they will not only be willing but anxious to have the Legislature restore in part, at least, the former passenger fare rate, to the end that compensation more nearly adequate may be received for the service rendered, and that the road may thereby be placed in a position where it will be possible to give better service and more of it.

The considerations which prompted the reduction in the rate eight years ago are certainly now without weight. Wages have been increased. Every manner and kind of supplies cost more. In other words, the high cost of living has affected the road just as it has every one else. One belief, and possibly the principal argument in 1907, was that if passenger fares were decreased, more people would ride and revenues, consequently, would be greater. This has not proved true. As a matter of fact, the normal yearly increase is a little more than half what it was previous to the reduction.

The only desire of the Federal Court and its officers, the Receivers, is that the road shall properly serve the State, and in return receive the compensation which its service merits. We will be glad to submit to you in such manner and at such times as may be agreeable to you, detailed information bearing upon the subject, and our prayer is that speedy consideration be given to the matter in order that relief may come as quickly as possible.

Respectfully yours,

PAUL H. KING,

DUDLEY E. WATERS,

Receivers.

Detroit, Michigan,
January, 12, 1915.

Mr. Ashley moved that the communication be referred to the Committee on Railroads, when appointed.

The motion prevailed.

The Speaker also laid before the House the following communication:
A most cordial invitation is extended to you and the members of the House of Representatives to be present at the laying of the cornerstone of the new half-million dollar Masonic Temple, at Grand Rapids, Thursday, Jan. 14th, 1915, at High Twelve (Noon).

Yours very truly,

JOHN ROWSON,

President Masonic Temple Association.

Mr. Averill moved that the invitation be accepted.

The motion prevailed.

By unanimous consent

Mr. Petermann offered the following resolution:

House resolution No. 12.

That House Rule 30 be and hereby is amended by amending paragraph five of said rule to read as follows:

The standing committees of the house shall be as follows:

1. Agricultural College.
2. Agriculture.
3. Apportionment.
4. Central Michigan Normal School.
5. City Corporations.
6. College of Mines.
7. Drainage.
8. Education.
9. Elections.
10. Federal Relations.
11. Fish and Fisheries.
12. Game Laws.
13. General Taxation.
14. Geological Survey.
15. Horticulture.
16. Industrial School for Boys.
17. Insurance.
18. Ionia State Hospital.
19. Judiciary.
20. Kalamazoo State Hospital.
21. Labor.
22. Liquor Traffic.
23. Local Taxation.
24. Lumber and Salt.
25. Michigan Employment Institution for the Blind.
26. Michigan Farm Colony for Epileptics.
27. Michigan Home and Training School.
28. Michigan Reformatory.
29. Michigan School for the Blind.
30. Michigan School for the Deaf.
31. Michigan Soldiers' Home.
32. Michigan State Prison.
33. Military Affairs.
34. Mines and Minerals.
35. Newberry State Hospital.
36. Northern State Normal School.
37. Pontiac State Hospital.
38. Printing.
39. Private Corporations.
40. Public Health.
41. Public Lands and Forestry Interests.
42. Railroads.
43. Religious and Benevolent Societies.
44. Revision and Amendment of the Constitution.
45. Revision and Amendment of the Statutes.
46. Roads and Bridges.
47. Rules and Joint Rules.

48. State Affairs.
49. State Capitol and Public Buildings.
50. State House of Correction and Branch of the State Prison in the Upper Peninsula.
51. State Industrial Home for Girls.
52. State Library.
53. State Normal College.
54. State Psychopathic Hospital.
55. State Public School.
56. State Sanatorium.
57. Supplies and Expenditures.
58. Towns and Counties.
59. Traverse City State Hospital.
60. University.
61. Village Corporations.
62. Ways and Means.
63. Western State Normal School.

The Speaker announced that in accordance with Rule 71 the resolution would lie over five days.

Mr. Petermann moved that the rules be suspended.

The motion prevailed, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,
The resolution was adopted.

Mr. Rice offered the following resolution:

House resolution No. 13.

Resolved, That the temporary rules of the House as adopted January 6th, and as amended January 7th and January 12th, be and are hereby adopted as the permanent rules of this House.

The Speaker announced that under Rule 50 the resolution would lie over one day.

Mr. Rice moved that Rule 50 be suspended.

The motion prevailed, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,
The resolution was adopted.

The Speaker announced the appointment of the following standing committees:

Agricultural College—Messrs. Pray, Hopkins, C. J. Reed, Ross, Sours.

Agriculture—Messrs. Schmidt, Wells, Ewing, Green, Gayde.

Apportionment—Messrs. Thomas Read, Croll, F. A. Smith, Koehler, Rice, Schmidt, Hinkley, Haviland, Daigneau, R. L. Ford, Francis, Gettel, Tufts.

Central Michigan Normal School—Messrs. R. L. Ford, Person, Place, Leland, Kooyers.

City Corporations—Messrs. Averill, Palmer, Empson, Gayde, Wright, Ormsbee, Person, Place, Woodruff.

College of Mines—Messrs. Stevens, Foote, Green, Pray, Weissert.

Drainage—Messrs. Moore, Olmsted, Bosch, Clark, Evens.

Education—Messrs. Symonds, Wieland, Jones, Wells, Weissert, Hoffman, Empson, Wright, Hopkins.

Elections—Messrs. Palmer, Wieland, Warner, Amon, Keen, Thomas Read, Martin, Culver, Sours, Leland, Lewis, Miller, Nelson.

Federal Relations—Messrs. Koehler, Hulse, Martz, F. A. Smith, Place.

Fish and Fisheries—Messrs. McMillan, Kemmerling, Stevenson, Anderson, Whiteley, Matthews, Amon, DeBoer, Gettel.

Game Laws—Messrs. Kemmerling, Hinkley, Penney, Shields, O'Brien.

General Taxation—Messrs. Petermann, Ewing, Averill, Whiteley, Rogers, Miller, Francis, C. J. Reed, McGraw.

Geological Survey—Messrs. Ward, Van Antwerp, Penney, Robertson, Sly.

Horticulture—Messrs. Daigneau, Hopkins, Moore, Leland, Sours.

Industrial School for Boys—Messrs. William F. Jerome, O'Brien, Koehler, Leland, Ashley.

Insurance—Messrs. Rice, Sherman, McGraw, Biggerstaff, R. L. Ford.

Ionia State Hospital—Messrs. Evens, Quintel, Amon, Root, Vine.

Judiciary—Messrs. Flowers, Petermann, Newel Smith, Symonds, Watkins, Person, Empson, Wiley, Kooyers, Thomas Read, Lamphere, Warner, Lewis.

Kalamazoo State Hospital—Messrs. Rogers, Oakley, Chapin, Gayde, Sly.

Labqr—Messrs. Oakley, Averill, Tufts, William F. Jerome, Jones.

Liquor Traffic—Messrs. Tufts, Follett, Oakley, Culver, Sutton, Ward, Sours, Hulse, Stevens.

Local Taxation—Messrs. Hulse, Ross, Vine, Gayde, Snow.

Lumber and Salt—Messrs. Martz, S. J. Smith, Daprato, Matthews, Sly.

Michigan Employment Institution for the Blind—Messrs. Croll, Francis, Hoffman, Ewing, Gettel.

Michigan Farm Colony for Epileptics—Messrs. Green, Cowan, Daprato, Matthews, Miller.

Michigan Home and Training School—Messrs. Edwards, Schmidt, Henry, C. J. Reed, Newel Smith.

Michigan Reformatory—Messrs. Watkins, McMillan, Keen, Clark, Whiteley.

Michigan School for the Blind—Messrs. Wieland, Wiley, Jones, Matthews, DeBoer.

Michigan School for the Deaf—Messrs. Wolcott, Edwards, S. J. Smith, Wright, Wells.

Michigan Soldiers' Home—Messrs. Place, Wood, Hulse, Shields, Root.

Michigan State Prison—Messrs. Sutton, Nank, Sheridan Ford, Culver, Biggerstaff.

Military Affairs—Messrs. Culver, Sutton, Cowan, Martin, Watkins.

Mines and Minerals—Messrs. O'Brien, Van Antwerp, Daprato, Shields, DeBoer.

Newberry State Hospital—Messrs. Ewing, Moore, Vine, Anderson, Clark.

Northern State Normal School—Messrs. F. A. Smith, Henry, Daigneau, Van Antwerp, Cowan.

Pontiac State Hospital—Messrs. Nelson, Snow, Palmer, Haviland, Ormsbee.

Printing—Messrs. Van Antwerp, Wolcott, C. J. Reed, Weissert, Woodruff.

Private Corporations—Messrs. Foote, Croll, Petermann, McMillan, Pray, Evens, Olmsted, Sheridan, Ford, Wiley.

Public Health—Messrs. Newel Smith, Robertson, Hoffman, William F. Jerome, Shields.

Public Lands and Forestry Interests—Messrs. Whiteley, Green, Anderson, Chapin, Jones, Quintel, S. J. Smith, Sly, Vine.

Railroads—Messrs. Henry, Stevenson, Schmidt, Oakley, Sutton, Stevens, F. A. Smith, O'Brien, Daigneau.

Religious and Benevolent Societies—Messrs. Wood, Wm. F. Jerome, Koehler, Root, Quintel.

Revision and Amendment of the Constitution—Messrs. Ashley, Nank, Wieland, Wolcott, Wood, Jas. D. Jerome, Moore, Kemmerling, Bosch, Root, Person, Ormsbee, Lamphere.

Revision and Amendment of the Statutes—Messrs. Penney, Palmer, Weissert, Wright, Woodruff, S. J. Smith, Nelson, Bosch, Quintel.

Roads and Bridges—Messrs. Daprato, Rogers, Robertson, Evens, Cowan.

Rules and Joint Rules—Messrs. Warner, Symonds, Foote, Rogers, Nelson.

State Affairs—Messrs. Jas. D. Jerome, Edwards, Haviland, Martin, Follett, Ward, Keen, R. L. Ford, DeBoer.

State Capitol and Public Buildings—Messrs. Stevenson, Flowers, Griggs, Stevens, Biggerstaff.

State House of Correction and Branch of the State Prison in the Upper Peninsula—Messrs. Follett, Tufts, Gettel, Ross, Olmsted.

State Industrial Home for Girls—Messrs. Hoffman, Miller, Ward, Ormsbee, Wells.

State Library—Messrs. Sheridan Ford, Henry, Kooyers, Biggerstaff, Ashley.

State Normal College—Messrs. Griggs, Martin, Stevenson, Empson, Warner.

State Psychopathic Hospital—Messrs. Olmsted, Jas. D. Jerome, Watkins, Follett, Martz.

State Public School—Messrs. Robertson, Bosch, Lewis, Woodruff, Lamphere.

State Sanatorium—Messrs. Snow, Sherman, Rice, McGraw, Francis.

Supplies and Expenditures—Messrs. Amon, Pray, Sherman, Clark, Keen.

Towns and Counties—Messrs. Haviland, Griggs, Chapin, Ross, Snow.

Traverse City State Hospital—Messrs. Sherman, Griggs, Averill, Chapin, Hopkins.

University—Messrs. Nank, Flowers, Sheridan Ford, Kooyers, Penney.

Village Corporations—Messrs. Lewis, McMillan, Newel Smith, Wood, Anderson.

Ways and Means—Messrs. Hinkley, Nank, Jas. D. Jerome, Edwards, Croll, Rice, Kemmerling, Foote, Wolcott.

Western State Normal School—Messrs. Wiley, Thos. Read, Symonds, Ashley, Lamphere.

The Speaker announced the following appointments of House employees, as provided for in House resolution No. 4:

Law Clerk—George L. Brown, Port Huron.

Committee Clerks—Allen Brubacker, Harbor Springs; Mrs. Katherine L. Tice, Detroit; Paul Katz, Battle Creek; Percy L. Frick, St. Louis; Bess E. Shepard, Boyne City; Mayme Brown, Ludington; Agnes G. Stradley, Grand Rapids; Alice A. Alexander, Flint; Meidell H. Fromodig, Calumet; Rose Mairenthal, Bay City.

Speaker's Clerk—Rose S. Hulbert, Lapeer.

Speaker's Messenger—Jesse Griggs, Pontiac.

Sergeant's Messenger—John Croll, Beaverton.

Document Room Keeper—Charles Hoffner, Charlotte.

Assistant Document Room Keeper—William A. Rounds, Alto.

Coat Room Keepers—August Kelly, Alpena; Isadore Snyder, Kalamazoo.

Gallery Janitress—Ethel May Allen, Cassopolis.

Assistants to Sergeant-at-arms—Harry J. McGrane, Detroit; Albert A. Bush, Detroit; John McGrew, Mt. Clemens; Albert McNinch, Mayville; Andrew Scott, Saginaw.

Janitors—S. M. Clawson, Eau Claire; William Sober, Bath; Nicholas Myer, Grand Rapids; Emery J. Whiting, Battle Creek; B. B. Oakley, Bay City; Thomas J. Howes, Adrian.

The Clerk announced the following appointments:

Journal Clerk—Myles F. Gray, Lansing.

Bill Clerk—Harry A. Cross, Paw Paw.

Reading Clerk—Chas. Hayden, Lansing.

Financial Clerk—Pearl Gilbert, Flint.

Proof Readers—Ada B. Shier, Lansing; Frank D. Fitzgerald, Grand Ledge; Augusta A. Warner, St. Johns.

Clerk's Stenographer—Flora Currie, Midland.

Assistant Bill Clerk—Harvey J. Foster, Peck.

Journal Clerk's Stenographer—Grace L. Chamberlain, Wayland.

Mailing Clerk—Russell S. Ashley, Detroit.

Assistant Mailing Clerk—John King, Clarkston.

The House took up the regular order of business.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY CLERK OF PRINTING OF BILLS.

The Clerk announced that the following named bill had been printed and placed upon the files of the members, Monday, January 11th:

Senate bill No. 1 (file No. 1), entitled

A bill to provide for the collection, arrangement and display of the products of the State of Michigan at the Panama-Pacific International Exposition to be held in San Francisco, California, in 1915, and to make an appropriation therefor.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

A message was received from the Senate informing the House that the Senate had concurred in the adoption of the following resolution:

House concurrent resolution No. 2.

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That the Clerk of the House and the Secretary of the Senate be instructed to mail, in their discretion, copies of the daily Journal upon written requests therefor; and copies to each person whose address shall be furnished them by a member of the House or Senate, but no Senator shall be allowed to furnish more than twenty-five names and no Representative more than fifteen names; and that the amount of postage on such copies of said Journal so sent out shall be paid by the State Treasurer on the warrant of the Auditor General on the presentation of bills duly certified by the Clerk of the House or the Secretary of the Senate, showing that such stamps have been purchased and used only for the payment of postage in mailing copies of the Journal hereby ordered to be distributed.

Mr. Wright entered the House and took his seat.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Rice introduced

House bill No. 1, entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the state highway department for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1915, and providing a tax to meet the same.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Roads and Bridges.

Mr. Daprato introduced

House bill No. 2, entitled

A bill to provide for the collection, arrangement and display of the products of the State of Michigan at the Panama-Pacific International Exposition to be held in San Francisco, California, in 1915, and to make an appropriation therefor.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Flowers introduced

House bill No. 3, entitled

A bill to provide for the changing and establishing of boundaries of cities, villages and townships within this state.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Towns and Counties.

Mr. Woodruff introduced

House bill No. 4, entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of Act No. 97 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An Act to regulate the taking of fish in the waters of Lakes Superior, Michigan, Huron and Erie, the bays thereof and the connecting waters between said lakes, within the jurisdiction of this state, and to regulate the transportation, sale and possession of fish taken from said waters."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Fish and Fisheries.

Mr. Koehler introduced

House bill No. 5, entitled

A bill to provide for the incorporation of cremation companies and associations.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Public Health.

Mr. Foote introduced

House bill No. 6, entitled

A bill to prevent fraud in the sale and disposition of stocks, bonds or other securities sold or offered for sale within the state of Michigan by any dealer, firm, company, association or corporation, foreign or domestic, by requiring an inspection of such stocks, bonds or other securities and an inspection of the business of such persons, firms, companies, associations or corporations, including dealers and agents, and such regulation and supervision of the business of said persons, firms, companies, associations, or corporations, including dealers and agents, as may be necessary to prevent fraud in the sale within the state, of any stocks, bonds, or other securities, and to provide a penalty for the violation thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Private Corporations.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

The Speaker laid before the House the following concurrent resolution, offered January 7th, by Mr. Haviland, and under Rule 50 laid over one day:

House concurrent resolution No. 3.

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That the Secretary of State be and is hereby requested to furnish each member and officer of the Legislature of 1915 with one copy of the Compiled Laws of 1897, together with one copy each of the Public Acts of the regular and special sessions published since such compilation of 1897.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,
The resolution was adopted.

Mr. Stevens offered the following resolution:

House resolution No. 14.

Whereas, It has pleased the Almighty Ruler of the Universe to remove by death the father of Representative Pray, thereby causing the bereavement of our fellow member; therefore be it

Resolved, That we hereby extend to the bereaved member, Representative Pray, the sympathy of this House; and be it further

Resolved, That these resolutions be spread upon the Journal, and that an engrossed copy be presented to Representative Pray.

The resolution was adopted.

Mr. Palmer offered the following resolution:

House resolution No. 15.

Resolved, That the Sergeant-at-arms be authorized and instructed to purchase suitable drinking water for the use of members of the House.

The resolution was adopted.

Mr. Place offered the following resolution:

House resolution No. 16.

Resolved, That the Sergeant-at-arms be and is hereby instructed to procure a United States flag and properly drape the same in some appropriate place in Representative Hall.

The resolution was adopted.

Mr. Palmer offered the following concurrent resolution:

House concurrent resolution No. 4.

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That the Auditor General is hereby respectfully requested to submit to this Legislature, at his earliest convenience, a tabulated statement showing, to date, all moneys received by him from non-resident liquor dealers, the source of such receipt, and the number of licenses issued to such non-resident liquor dealers under the provisions of Section 1 of Act No. 291 of the Public Acts of 1909.

The Speaker announced that under Rule 50 the resolution would lie over one day.

Mr. Palmer moved that Rule 50 be suspended.

The motion prevailed, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

The resolution was adopted.

Mr. Martz offered the following concurrent resolution:

House concurrent resolution No. 5.

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That a special committee, consisting of three members of the House and two members of the Senate, be appointed to confer with the board of directors of the Michigan State Agricultural Society in regard to the advisability of the State taking over the property of the Michigan State Fair, and that said committee report its findings to the Legislature at the earliest possible time.

The Speaker announced that under Rule 50 the resolution would lie over one day.

Mr. Martz moved that Rule 50 be suspended.

The motion did not prevail, two-thirds of all the members present not voting therefor.

Mr. Stevenson offered the following concurrent resolution:

House concurrent resolution No. 6.

Whereas, There is pending before Congress Senate bill 136, intended, through drastic regulations, to protect passengers upon boats plying on the ocean and the great lakes, which if enacted would virtually put out of business all passenger boat lines operating upon said great lakes; and,

Whereas, The passenger season on the great lakes is only for three months in midsummer, and steamers are passing and repassing each other at very short intervals, so that assistance is always near at hand in case of accident, the risk of casualties being reduced to a minimum, and is entirely different from the dangers on the ocean; and,

Whereas, Millions of passengers have been carried and no loss of life has occurred on any of the passenger boats plying on said lakes during the last ten years; and

Whereas, Whatever loss of life has occurred in that time on these lakes, has been upon freight carriers, which operate late in the season, the bulk of such loss occurring during that part of the season, and at a time when passenger and excursion boats are laid up for the winter; and,

Whereas, Many millions of dollars are invested in said passenger and excursion boats, built under government regulations, inspection and supervision, which under the proposed bills would become almost a total loss, and many thousands of persons be thrown out of employment; and,

Whereas, If under these conditions Congress should insist on enacting the proposed legislation, we feel that the excursion and passenger steamers of the great lakes should be exempted from the provisions of the bill; therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That the Legislature of the State of Michigan respectfully asks the Congress of the United States to refuse to enact the proposed measures enumerated above, as applied to the great lakes, and for the reasons contained in the preamble hereof; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be transmitted by the clerk of the House of Representatives to each of the Senators and Representatives from this state in the Congress of the United States, and they are hereby respectfully requested to oppose, by all honorable means, the enactment of this proposed legislation.

The Speaker announced that under Rule 50 the resolution would lie over one day.

Mr. Stevenson moved that Rule 50 be suspended.

The motion prevailed, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

The resolution was adopted.

Mr. Oakley offered the following resolution:

House resolution No. 17.

Whereas, It is with profound regret that the members of this House have learned of the death in Hart, Michigan, on February 13, 1914, of the Honorable Rufus F. Skeels, a member of the last House, and

Whereas, In the death of Mr. Skeels, his family has lost a faithful and loving husband and father, and the State an estimable citizen; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Speaker of this House appoint a special committee of three members to prepare suitable resolutions expressive of our deep sympathy with the bereaved family.

The resolution was adopted.

The Speaker announced as such committee Messrs. Oakley, Newel Smith and James D. Jerome.

Mr. Oakley moved that the House adjourn.

The motion prevailed, the time being 2:55 o'clock p. m.

The Speaker declared the House adjourned until tomorrow at 2:00 o'clock p. m.

CHARLES S. PIERCE,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.

FOURTH DAY.

Lansing, Wednesday, January 13.

2 o'clock p. m.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

Religious exercises were conducted by Representative William F. Jerome, rector of St. Peter's Episcopal church, of Hillsdale.

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk, who announced that a quorum was present.

Messrs. Empson, McGraw and Pray were absent with leave.
Messrs. Amon and James D. Jerome were absent without leave.

Mr. Schmidt moved that Mr. Amon be excused from today's session.
The motion prevailed.

Mr. Henry moved that an indefinite leave of absence be granted to Mr. James D. Jerome.
The motion prevailed.

Messrs. Palmer and Koehler asked and obtained leaves of absence for the balance of the week after today's session.

Mr. Wright asked and obtained an indefinite leave of absence after today's session.

The Speaker announced that, in accordance with Rule No. 2, he had assigned seats to the several representatives of the press, as follows:

John Fitzgibbon and Fred B. Perry, Detroit News, No. 142.

W. L. Calnon, Detroit Journal, No. 139.

Gurd M. Hayes, Lansing State Journal and The Associated Press, No. 146.

Charles Fox, Grand Rapids News, No. 143.

Arthur Kudner and H. N. Duff, Detroit Free Press, No. 144.

Frank M. Sparks, Grand Rapids Herald, No. 148.

Henry H. Tinkham, Grand Rapids Press and The Associated Press, No. 145.

Ray Durham, Lansing Evening Press, No. 140.

H. A. Ballenger, United Press Association and Detroit Times, No. 140.

Douglas D. Martin, Jackson Patriot and American Press Association, No. 149.

The Speaker announced the following appointments of House Messengers, as provided for in House resolution No 4:

Cosmo Calkins, Lansing; Harold R. Stephens, Star City; John F. Schmidt, Reed City; Harry M. Streeter, Port Huron; A. Burnham Bragdon, Monroe; Thomas McGill, Detroit; Walter Tews, Forestville; Pearl Wayne, Midland; Homer Martin, Corunna; Backus Lacy, Lansing; James Osborne, Hillsdale.

The Speaker announced the appointment of the Special Committee to group the committees of the House for assignment to committee room, in accordance with House resolution No. 11, as follows: Messrs. Henry, Hinkley and Flowers.

The Clerk announced the following appointments:

Clerk's messenger, John Cross, Bangor.

Proof room messenger, Briggs Beurmann, Lansing.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Roads and Bridges, by Mr. Daprato, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 1, entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the State highway department for the fiscal year ending June thirty, nineteen hundred fifteen, and providing a tax to meet the same.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting Senate concurrent resolution No. 2.

Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring), That the following be and are hereby adopted as the Joint Rules of the Senate and House of Representatives:

Rule 1. Each house shall transmit to the other all papers on which any bill or resolution shall be founded.

Rule 2. When a bill or resolution which shall have passed one house is rejected in the other, notice thereof shall be given to the house in which the same may have been passed.

Rule 3. Messages from one house to the other shall be communicated by the Secretary of the Senate and Clerk of the House of Representa-

tives, unless the house transmitting the message shall especially direct otherwise.

Rule 4. It shall be in the power of either house to amend any amendment made by the other to any bill or resolution.

Rule 5. In every case of a difference between the two houses upon any subject of legislation, the house wherein the difference arises shall advise the other house of the disagreement. Such other house shall then either recede from its position relative to the subject under consideration or insist thereon and ask for a conference. Upon granting the request for a conference the house granting the request shall name three of its members as conferees on its part at said conference, and shall notify the other house of its action. Such other house shall thereupon name three of its members as conferees on its part at said conference. The bill under consideration shall be delivered to the conferees on the part of the house in which it originated. The conferees on the part of the two houses shall meet and consider the matters of difference between the two houses. In case the conferees of the two houses are unable to agree they shall report that fact to both houses, and the bill shall accompany the report to the house in which it originated. The situation shall then be the same as if no conference had been requested. In case of an agreement the conferees of the two houses shall make detailed report thereof, which report shall be signed by at least two of the conferees of each house, and the report, together with the papers in the case, shall be submitted to the house in which the bill originated. The vote shall be on the adoption of the conference report and if the question shall be decided in the affirmative, the bill, together with the conference report, shall be transmitted to such other house with the information that the report has been adopted. If the question be decided in the negative the other house shall be notified thereof, and the situation shall then be the same as if no conference had been requested. When (the conference report having been adopted in one house) the report with the papers in the case shall have been transmitted to the other house, the question in such other house, shall be on the adoption of the conference report. If the question shall be decided in the affirmative the bill shall be returned to the house in which it originated with the information that the other house has concurred in the adoption of the conference report and the bill shall then be referred for enrollment, printing and presentation to the Governor. If the question shall be decided in the negative, the situation shall then be the same as if no conference had been requested. In either house the question on the adoption of the conference report shall not be subject to amendment or division.

Rule 6. It shall be in order for either house to recede from any subject matter of difference existing between the two houses at any time previous to a conference, whether the papers on which such difference has arisen are before the house receding, formally or informally. A majority shall govern, except in cases where two-thirds are required by the constitution; and the question, having been put and lost, shall not be again put the same day. The consideration thereof in other respects shall be regulated by the rules of the respective houses.

Rule 7. In case each house adheres to its disagreement, the bill which is the subject of difference shall be deemed lost, and shall not be again revived during the same session in either house, unless by consent of three-fourths of the members present of the house reviving it.

Rule 8. The same bill shall not amend or repeal more than one act of incorporation; nor shall the same bill appropriate public money or property to more than one local or private purpose. Any bill appropriating moneys for the payment of the officers of the government shall be confined to that purpose exclusively.

Rule 9. Whenever there shall be an election of any officer in joint convention the result shall be certified by the president of the senate and the speaker of the house of representatives; shall be announced by the presiding officers to their respective houses; shall be entered on the journal of each; and shall be communicated to the governor by the secretary of the senate and the clerk of the house of representatives.

Rule 10. Whenever both houses, by the constitutional vote, direct that any bill shall take effect immediately, a statement shall be added thereto at the enrollment of the bill in words to this effect: "This act is ordered to take immediate effect."

Rule 11. Proposals for amendments to the constitution shall be by joint resolution which in each house shall take the same course as a bill.

Rule 12. Whenever a bill shall have been passed by both houses of the legislature, the objection of the governor to the contrary notwithstanding, or whenever a joint resolution proposing an amendment to the constitution shall have been agreed to by both houses in the manner prescribed by the constitution, such bill or such joint resolution shall be duly enrolled and signed by the presiding officers of both houses. The secretary of the senate and the clerk of the house shall then each attach a certificate to such enrolled copy, to the effect that the same has been passed or agreed to as the case may be by the senate and house respectively, in accordance with the provisions of the constitution, and shall forthwith file the same in the office of the secretary of state.

Rule 13. The title of every bill to amend or repeal existing laws passed prior to the date of the last general compilation shall refer to the chapter of the compilation containing such act, and to the sections proposed to be amended or repealed. When bills to amend existing laws are printed, words added to such laws shall be enclosed in brackets; the omission of words shall be indicated by stars; and where the proposed alteration is of such character that it cannot readily be indicated in either of the foregoing ways, it shall be indicated by printing in italics the parts differing from the existing law.

Rule 14. The legislative postoffice shall be kept open every week day from 8 o'clock a. m. to 9 o'clock p. m., and on each Sunday from 12 o'clock noon until 1 o'clock p. m., and the mail shall be delivered to the Lansing postoffice in time for the outgoing trains on Sunday evenings.

The question being on concurring in the adoption of the resolution, Mr. Hinkley moved that the resolution be referred to the Committee on Rules and Joint Rules.

The motion prevailed and the resolution was so referred.

A message was also received from the Senate transmitting Senate concurrent resolution No. 6.

Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring), That when the Legislature shall adjourn on Friday, January 15, 1915,

it shall stand adjourned until Tuesday, January 26, 1915, at 9 o'clock p. m.; that during the interim the several committees for the respective State institutions shall inquire into and determine as to the necessities of such institutions and all of such committees shall prepare and present a report to the Legislature upon its reconvening or as soon thereafter as possible.

The question being on concurring in the adoption of the resolution, Mr. Oakley demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was seconded.

The resolution then did not prevail, a majority of all the members present not voting therefor by yeas and nays as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Evens

Mr. Martz

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NAYS.

Mr. Anderson

Mr. Griggs

Mr. Oakley

Mr. Smith, S. J.

Ashley

Haviland

O'Brien

Snow

Averill

Henry

Olmsted

Sours

Biggerstaff

Hinkley

Ormsbee

Stevens

Bosch

Hoffman

Palmer

Stevenson

Chapin

Hopkins

Penney

Sutton

Clark

Hulse

Person

Symonds

Cowan

Jerome, Wm. F.

Petermann

Tufts

Croll

Jones

Place

Van Antwerp

Culver

Keen

Quintel

Vine

Daigneau

Kemmerling

Read, Thos.

Ward

Daprato

Koehler

Reed, C. J.

Warner

De Boer

Kooyers

Rice

Watkins

Edwards

Lamphere

Robertson

Weissert

Ewing

Leland

Rogers

Wells

Flowers

Lewis

Root

Whiteley

Follett

McMillan

Ross

Wieland

Foote

Martin

Schmidt

Wiley

Ford, R. L.

Matthews

Sherman

Wolcott

Ford, Sheridan

Miller

Shields

Wood

Francis

Moore

Sly

Woodruff

Gayde

Nank

Smith, F. A.

Wright

Gettel

Nelson

Smith, Newel

Speaker

Green

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A message was also received from the Senate transmitting Senate concurrent resolution No. 7.

Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring), That the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House be and are hereby instructed to mail copies of the daily Journal to each of the newspapers of the State, to all public and high school libraries of the State, to the various Granges, Gleaners' and Farmers' Clubs, to all county commissioners of schools, superintendents of city schools, sheriffs, county clerks, prosecuting attorneys, judges of probate, county treasurers, mayors of cities and presidents of villages; and that the amount of postage on such copies of the Journal so sent out shall be paid by the State Treasurer on the warrant of the Auditor General, on the presentation of bills duly certified by the Secretary of the Senate or the Clerk of the House, showing that such stamps have been purchased and used only for the payment of postage in mailing copies of the Journal hereby ordered to be distributed.

The question being on concurring in the adoption of the resolution,
The House concurred.

A message was also received from the Senate informing the House that the Senate had concurred in the adoption of the following resolution:

House concurrent resolution No. 6.

Whereas, There is pending before Congress Senate Bill 136, intended, through drastic regulations, to protect passengers upon boats plying on the ocean and the great lakes, which if enacted would virtually put out of business all passenger boat lines operating upon said great lakes; and

Whereas, The passenger season on the great lakes is only for three months in midsummer, and steamers are passing and repassing each other at very short intervals, so that assistance is always near at hand in case of accident, the risk of casualties being reduced to a minimum, and is entirely different from the dangers on the ocean; and

Whereas, Millions of passengers have been carried and no loss of life has occurred on any of the passenger boats plying on said lakes during the last ten years; and

Whereas, Whatever loss of life has occurred in that time on these lakes, has been upon freight carriers, which operate late in the season, the bulk of such loss occurring during that part of the season, and at a time when passenger and excursion boats are laid up for the winter; and

Whereas, Many millions of dollars are invested in said passenger and excursion boats, built under government regulations, inspection and supervision, which under the proposed bills would become almost a total loss, and many thousands of persons be thrown out of employment; and

Whereas, If under these conditions Congress should insist on enacting the proposed legislation, we feel that the excursion and passenger steamers of the great lakes should be exempted from the provisions of the bill; therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That the Legislature of the State of Michigan respectfully asks the Congress of the United States to refuse to enact the proposed measures enumerated above, as applied to the great lakes, and for the reasons contained in the preamble hereof; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be transmitted by the Clerk of the House of Representatives to each of the Senators and Representatives from this state in the Congress of the United States, and they are hereby respectfully requested to oppose, by all honorable means, the enactment of this proposed legislation.

A message was also received from the Senate informing the House that the Senate had concurred in the adoption of the following resolution:

House concurrent resolution No. 3.

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That the Secretary of State be and is hereby requested to furnish each member and officer of the Legislature of 1915 with one copy of the Com-

piled Laws of 1897, together with one copy each of the Public Acts of the regular and special sessions published since such compilation of 1897.

A message was also received from the Senate informing the House that the Senate had concurred in the adoption of the following resolution:

House concurrent resolution No. 4.

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That the Auditor General is hereby respectfully requested to submit to this Legislature, at his earliest convenience, a tabulated statement showing, to date, all moneys received by him from non-resident liquor dealers, the source of such receipt, and the number of licenses issued to such non-resident liquor dealers under the provisions of Section 1 of Act No. 291 of the Public Acts of 1909.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Croll introduced

House bill No. 7, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of Act No. 49, of the Public Acts of 1885, entitled "An act for the relief of purchasers and settlers on swamp land, and to repeal Act No. 166, Session Laws of 1855 and Act No. 173, Session Laws of 1867, the same being sections 5386 and 5387, Howell's Annotated Statutes," now section 1494, of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Koehler introduced

House bill No. 8, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1 and 2 of Act No. 91, of the Session Laws of 1839, entitled "An act to provide for the recording of town plats, and for vacating the same in certain cases," being compiler's sections 3372 and 3373 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as last amended by Act No. 297 of the Public Acts of 1913.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Towns and Counties.

Mr. Lewis introduced

House bill No. 9, entitled

A bill to permit mutual telephone companies of this State, not organized for pecuniary profit, but incorporated under the laws of this State, to own, control, operate, construct, maintain, extend, diminish or vacate their lines and equipment within this State or any municipality thereof, without applying for and receiving from the Michigan Railroad Commission a certificate of public convenience and necessity, as provided for in section 9 of Act No. 206 of the Public Acts of 1913; and absolving such mutual telephone companies so organized not for pecuniary profit, from filing with said commission a schedule of the rates, tolls, rents and charges which it proposes to charge on its lines

and equipment, as provided in Act No. 206 of the Public Acts of 1913.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Private Corporations.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

The Speaker laid before the House the following concurrent resolution, offered yesterday by Mr. Martz, and under Rule 50 laid over one day:

House concurrent resolution No. 5.

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That a special committee, consisting of three members of the House and two members of the Senate, be appointed to confer with the board of directors of the Michigan State Agricultural Society in regard to the advisability of the State taking over the property of the Michigan State Fair, and that said committee report its findings to the Legislature at the earliest possible time.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

Mr. Martz moved that the resolution be referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Ashley offered the following resolution:

House resolution No. 18.

Resolved, That the message of the Governor be referred to a committee of three, for the purpose of recommending the reference of the several parts thereof and the recommendations contained therein to appropriate committees.

The resolution was adopted.

Mr. Martz offered the following resolution:

House resolution No. 19.

Whereas, It is the consensus of opinion of the members of this House that the work of the legislative session should be completed at the earliest possible date in order that the Legislature of 1915 may take a final adjournment; and

Whereas, It is believed that each and every member should do his utmost to facilitate business; therefore, be it

Resolved, That all appropriation bills shall be introduced on or before the 15th day of February, and that other measures contemplated by the members of this House shall be prepared and introduced as soon as may be.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

Mr. Hinkley moved that the resolution be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Oakley offered the following concurrent resolution:

House concurrent resolution No. 7.

Whereas, We deplore the terrible havoc wrought by the great conflict across the seas where almost all of Europe is rent and torn by shot

and shell, and deeply sympathize with the women and children and other non-combatants in their untold sufferings; therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), that a respectful message be sent to the President, the Honorable Woodrow Wilson, and the Congress of the United States now assembled at Washington, D. C., urging upon this country a policy of absolute neutrality and fair play and protesting against the exportation and shipment of all munitions of war, and be it further

Resolved, That we urge upon the Congress of the United States the passage of a resolution prohibiting the exportation and shipment of arms, ammunition and other war materials to the belligerent nations of Europe, and that all such shipments should cease at once.

The Speaker announced that under Rule 50 the resolution would lie over one day.

Mr. Oakley moved that the resolution be referred to the Committee on Federal Relations.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Foote made written request for the printing of House bill No. 6, entitled

A bill to prevent fraud in the sale and disposition of stocks, bonds or other securities sold or offered for sale within the state of Michigan by any dealer, firm, company, association or corporation, foreign or domestic, by requiring an inspection of such stocks, bonds or other securities and an inspection of the business of such persons, firms, companies, associations or corporations, including dealers and agents, and such regulation and supervision of the business of said persons, firms, companies, associations, or corporations, including dealers and agents, as may be necessary to prevent fraud in the sale within the state, of any stocks, bonds, or other securities, and to provide a penalty for the violation thereof.

The request was referred to the Committee on Printing.

Mr. Flowers moved that the House adjourn.

The motion prevailed, the time being 3:45 o'clock p. m.

The Speaker declared the House adjourned until Thursday, at 2:00 o'clock p. m.

CHARLES S. PIERCE,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.

FIFTH DAY.

Lansing, Thursday, January 14.

2 o'clock p. m.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

Religious exercises were conducted by Rev. H. J. Simpson, of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, of Lansing.

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk, who announced that a quorum was present.

Messrs. Empson, James D. Jerome, Koehler, McGraw, Palmer, Pray and Wright were absent with leave.

Mr. Stevens was absent without leave.

Mr. Schmidt moved that Mr. Stevens be excused from today's and Friday's sessions.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Henry asked and obtained a leave of absence from tomorrow's session.

Mr. Stevenson asked and obtained a leave of absence for the balance of the week.

Messrs. Sheridan Ford and Culver asked and obtained leaves of absence after today's session until Tuesday.

Mr. Martz asked and obtained an indefinite leave of absence after today's session.

The Speaker announced the appointment of the Special Committee to make recommendations for reference of the several parts of the Governor's message to committees, as follows: Messrs. Newel Smith, Petermann and Watkins.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

Mr. Watkins presented
Petition No. 1.

Petition of Arthur Vandenberg, chairman of special sub-committee in behalf of the Republican state central committee, proposing amendments to the primary election law.

Mr. Watkins moved that the petition be printed in full in the Journal.
The motion prevailed.

The following is the petition:

To the Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives:

Gentlemen:—By direction of the Republican state central committee, I am presenting to you herewith, in the form of a petition, a report unanimously adopted by the committee in session in Grand Rapids December 29, proposing amendments in Michigan's primary laws.

We respectfully request that this petition and its subject matter be referred to the proper committee for consideration; and we ask the further privilege of being permitted to appear before such committee at the proper time for hearing.

The action of the state central committee—which forms the basis of this prayer—was based upon a report of a sub-committee which considered the entire subject for a period of two months. The report of this sub-committee—unanimously adopted by the Republican state central committee—follows herewith in full:

Your sub-committee to which was referred the problem of suggesting desirable changes in existing Michigan primary laws for the purpose of overcoming obvious weaknesses and improprieties, begs leave to report that it has given the entire subject searching consideration; and as a result of state-wide and nation-wide investigations it presents the following conclusions to your committee:

In a general way, two basic causes for complaint were considered: (1) The persistent participation of Democrats and other hostile partisans in Republican primaries for the purpose of attempting to nominate weak Republican candidates for office; (2) The lack of opportunity for party counsel under existing primary law.

Your committee believes that its present suggestions—all thoroughly in harmony with the primary principle—which will go far toward obviating both of these basic troubles without in any way infringing upon the direct control of party affairs by the party rank and file.

For the purpose of present consideration, the committee proposes that its suggestions be applied only to the nomination of candidates for governor, lieutenant governor, secretary of state, state treasurer, auditor general, attorney general and United States senator. It is the committee's thought that the proposed reforms can best be tested in connection with these chief state offices—all of the state offices that are involved in biennial fall elections. The proposals hereinafter detailed should be read in connection with the limitations set forth in this paragraph.

Your committee makes the following general advisory suggestions:

(1) Biennial fall conventions—now held after the biennial fall primaries for the purpose of nominating candidates below lieutenant gov-

ernor—shall be moved forward on the calendar and held in advance of biennial fall primaries. In other words, they will become “pre-primary conventions.”

(2) Delegates to these pre-primary conventions shall come direct from the people, instead of coming from county conventions, as is the present case with state convention delegates under the present system. These delegates shall be nominated by petitions bearing signatures of from two per cent to four per cent of the party's voters in the unit from which the delegate comes. The delegates shall be elected at a spring election. (Almost everywhere there is now a spring municipal and township election, so that this recommendation will not involve an extra election). The number of delegates apportioned by a state central committee to each county shall in turn be apportioned within the county for direct election purposes, by the party's county committee. The delegates thus elected directly by the people will go direct to the “subsequent pre-primary convention” without the intervention of any county convention as at present. These delegates will, therefore, become the direct representatives of a party's rank and file. They will be responsible only to their constituents and will be free to exercise their individual best judgment for the welfare of the state and of the party.

(3) The “pre-primary state convention,” composed of these directly elected delegates, will meet in June. It will prepare the party's platform, thus permitting the promulgation of a party program of principles in advance of individual nominations, which have heretofore produced personal platforms instead. It will also select a party state central committee and a party state central committee chairman. It will then proceed, on open roll call, to consider candidates for all state offices above listed in which vacancies occur. Here will come that opportunity for party counsel and party argument which is vital to party perpetuity and party perpetuity is vital to a perpetuated democracy.

(4) If any one candidate receives a majority for a given office, his name will be certified to the Secretary of State for place on the subsequent primary ballot in the regular August primary. In case no nominee secures a majority of the convention, then no recommendation is made and no names go to the subsequent primary ballots as a result of the convention's activities. This eliminates all opportunity for the manipulation of minorities. It opens a fair, square method for a party parliament to agree, if it can, upon “recommendations” to the party electorate. If the recommendations are made in an honest and acceptable way they will prove potential in subsequent party primaries. If they are not made in this way, an untrammelled veto power remains resident in the party electorate and it can always be used to utterly confound any political malpractice that may, if ever, become evident. It is the committee's belief that the mere existence of this ultimate veto power will eliminate all possibility of malpractice. All votes in “pre-primary conventions” shall be on open roll call by counties. There shall always be an opportunity to poll any county's vote so as to register individual choices if desired. Vacancies in county delegations shall be filled, as now, by vote of a majority of the delegates present from the county in question, provided that any substitute delegates must be residents of the county which they will purport to represent.

(5) If the pre-primary convention recommends, by majority vote, a nominee for a given office, the name of this nominee will appear in first place in the proper column on the subsequent primary ballot. But it will not necessarily be the only name on the ballot. Any candidate who is dissatisfied with the recommendations of the "pre-primary convention" is free to proceed, practically as at present, to likewise get his name on the subsequent primary ballot. He can do so by filing petitions in the usual way bearing the signatures of Republican voters in a number from two to four per cent of the last party vote. This is the same provision that exists today and the only change recommended is that these signatures shall come from at least 20 counties of the state and that not more than 25 per cent of the total signatures shall come from any one county. The obvious purpose of this provision is merely to require that there shall be something more than a mere local interest in putting additional candidates on the ticket. No petitions shall be circulated until after the "pre-primary convention" has adjourned. Signatures to these petitions shall be of voters who declare themselves in the petition to be Republican voters and it shall be deemed satisfactory proof of this fact when each such petition shall bear an affidavit from the person who circulated it declaring that the signatures are genuine and that the persons signing declared themselves to be Republican electors at that time.

(6) Instead of a blanket ballot in this primary there shall be separate ballots for each party participating. The ballots for the different parties shall be of different colors. The voter declares which party ballot he desires and a record is made of the party with which the voter thus expresses an affiliation. The committee believes that this is as far as it is necessary to go in view of the other recommendations, in preserving the integrity of each party's primary. The proposition of a return to "party enrollment" was considered and discarded because of previous proven unpopularity and impracticability. The proposition that a candidate who receives a majority of all votes cast by all parties in the primary should forthwith be deemed elected, this proposition was also considered and discarded, because not only was a question of constitutionality involved, but in addition it was not deemed advisable to raise the debatable point in view of the fact that the committee felt that the balance of the proposed program would very generally accomplish purposes which are quite universally admitted to be worthy of present quest. The primaries will be held as usual and resultant nominees will go on the subsequent election ballot, as now, and thus the routine is completed.

This in a general way is the general plan which your sub-committee believes will best and most practicably answer the primary necessities of the present hour. The committee asks that disagreement with any detail in the recommendations be forgotten for the present if there can be agreement with the general plan proposed. We are not presenting a "bill" for introduction in the legislature. We are not attempting any such detail. We are merely presenting a general basis of a "petition" which it is our thought should be presented with the endorsement of the full Republican state central committee to the elections committees of the house and senate in the next state legislature. It is the committee's thought that in this latter form, the official forum, where the real

responsibility resides, there can come specific debate regarding details and an ultimate perfection of a new primary system for Michigan that shall lead in primary reform development throughout the country.

This further information is made a part of the committee's report for the purpose of indicating the further basis of decision. The "pre-primary recommendation" idea as originally advanced by ex-governor Hughes of New York involved "recommendations" by political committees. The proposed Michigan plan prefers to go direct to the rank and file of the party for "recommendations" instructions. It should also be remembered that the Democratic and Progressive parties have almost never yet gone into a state primary in Michigan without some sort of an unofficial conference of party leaders preceding the primary, at which agreement has been made as to who should be the party's nominee; and as a result, in practically every instance there has always been but one Democratic or Progressive candidate for a state nomination in a primary election. The Republican plan does not leave this work of counsel and "recommendation" to a "kitchen cabinet" of party leaders, but it puts this opportunity and responsibility squarely upon a convention of some 1,500 delegates who come direct from the party's rank and file by direct popular election. Any critic who can find the slightest shadow of an excuse for complaining that your committee's proposals in the remotest degree "violate the spirit of the primary," must, if honest, flatly condemn the methods by which the Democratic party and the Progressive party have always "violated the spirit of the primary" in most far-reaching way.

Finally, your committee desires to say that before it entered upon its labors it sought wisdom from every Republican legislator-elect. Inquiry blanks were sent out to all of these gentlemen and 53 responded. Out of this number 51 expressed belief that the primary law should be changed. While only two indicated belief that it should be left unchanged. On the question of whether or not the problem should be committed to a special commission for consideration or whether it could be adequately handled by the legislature itself, 39 declared in favor of the legislature method direct; 10 declared in favor of a special commission, and four were blank. On the question of a "pre-primary convention," 33 said yes; 10, no; 10, blank. Most of those responding "no" added, that they did not understand the matter thoroughly. We also asked these legislators-elect whether they had any objections whatsoever to the work of this sub-committee and the response was almost unanimous in its frank and friendly expression of desire to hear from us with any helpful suggestions that might be offered. One lone legislator-elect constituted the minority on this proposition.

We have investigated the progress of primary reform in other states. We have sought advice from prominent citizens out of our own state. The above recommendations are the result. They are not offered with any private opinion that they are infallible; they are not offered in any expectation or desire that they be accepted without full and free debate and amendment wherever deemed advisable. The place for the consideration of the subject is in the legislative forum at Lansing and we recommend that this report be presented to the elections committees of both house and senate in the form of a "petition."

The state central committee has named another sub-committee, of which I have the honor to be chairman, for the purpose of personally

presenting this subject matter to your honorable body through its proper committee; and your petitioners request such a hearing at the convenience of whatever committee may be given consideration of this prayer.

All of which is respectfully submitted on behalf of the Republican state central committee.

A. H. VANDENBERG,
Chairman Special Sub-Committee.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Elections.

Mr. Ross presented
Petition No. 2.

Petition of E. Graham and 62 other citizens of Livingston county asking for the repeal of Act No. 387, Public Acts of 1913, known as the barbers' license law.

The petition was referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Printing, by Mr. Van Antwerp, Chairman, reported
The written request of Mr. Foot for the printing of
House bill No. 6, entitled

A bill to prevent fraud in the sale and disposition of stocks, bonds or other securities sold or offered for sale within the State of Michigan by any dealer, firm, company, association or corporation, foreign or domestic, by requiring an inspection of such stocks, bonds or other securities and an inspection of the business of such persons, firms, companies, associations or corporations, including dealers and agents, and such regulation and supervision of the business of said persons, firms, companies, associations, or corporations, including dealers and agents, as may be necessary to prevent fraud in the sale within the state, of any stocks, bonds, or other securities, and to provide a penalty for the violation thereof.

With the recommendation that the request be granted.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the recommendation of the committee,

The recommendation was concurred in and the bill ordered printed.

REPORTS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

The Special Committee appointed to group and make committee room assignments of the several committees and the clerks therefor, by Mr. Henry, chairman, made its report, recommending that the several standing committees and the committee clerks be assigned to rooms, as follows:

Agricultural College, room D.—Mr. Fromodig.

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Apportionment, room O.—Miss Shepard.

Central Michigan Normal School, room M.—Mr. Frick.

City Corporations, room K.—Mrs. Stradley.

College of Mines, room K.—Mrs. Stradley.
Drainage, room M.—Mr. Frick.
Education, room M.—Mr. Frick.
Elections, room J.—Mrs. Tice.
Federal Relations, room K.—Mrs. Stradley.
Fish and Fisheries, room I.—Miss Marienthal.
Game Laws, room I.—Miss Marienthal.
General Taxation, room L.—Miss Alexander.
Geological Survey, room K.—Mrs. Stradley.
Horticulture, room M.—Mr. Frick.
Industrial School for Boys, room C.—Mr. Katz.
Insurance, room L.—Miss Alexander.
Ionia State Hospital, room C.—Mr. Katz.
Judiciary, room J.—Mrs. Tice.
Kalamazoo State Hospital, room D.—Mr. Fromodig.
Labor, room I.—Miss Marienthal.
Liquor Traffic, room O.—Miss Shepard.
Local Taxation, room N.—Miss Brown and Mr. Brubacker.
Lumber and Salt, room D.—Mr. Fromodig.
Michigan Employment Institution, room C.—Mr. Katz.
Michigan Farm Colony for Epileptics, room C.—Mr. Katz.
Michigan Home and Training School, room D.—Mr. Fromodig.
Michigan Reformatory, room C.—Mr. Katz.
Michigan School for the Blind, room C.—Mr. Katz.
Michigan School for the Deaf, room D.—Mr. Fromodig.
Michigan Soldiers' Home, room D.—Mr. Fromodig.
Michigan State Prison, room C.—Mr. Katz.
Military Affairs, room I.—Miss Marienthal.
Mines and Minerals, room D.—Mr. Fromodig.
Newberry State Hospital, room D.—Mr. Fromodig.
Northern State Normal School, room M.—Mr. Frick.
Pontiac State Hospital, room C.—Mr. Katz.
Printing, room K.—Mrs. Stradley.
Private Corporations, room O.—Miss Shepard.
Public Health, room C.—Mr. Katz.
Public Lands and Forestry Interests, room N.—Miss Brown and Mr. Brubacker.
Railroads, room L.—Miss Alexander.
Religious and Benevolent Societies, room K.—Mrs. Stradley.
Revision and Amendment of the Constitution, room J.—Mrs. Tice.
Revision and Amendment of the Statutes, room O.—Miss Shepard.
Roads and Bridges, room C.—Mr. Katz.
Rules and Joint Rules, room N.—Miss Brown and Mr. Brubacker.
State Affairs, room I.—Miss Marienthal.
State Capitol and Public Buildings, room K.—Mrs. Stradley.
State House of Correction and Branch of State Prison in Upper Peninsula, room D.—Mr. Fromodig.
State Industrial Home for Girls, room C.—Mr. Katz.
State Library, room J.—Mrs. Tice.
State Normal College, room M.—Mr. Frick.
State Psychopathic Hospital, room I.—Miss Marienthal.
State Public Schools, room D.—Mr. Fromodig.

State Sanitorium, room C.—Mr. Katz.

Supplies and Expenditures, room M.—Mr. Frick.

Towns and Counties, room L.—Miss Alexander.

Traverse City State Hospital, room C.—Mr. Katz.

University, room D.—Mr. Fromodig.

Village Corporations, room M.—Mr. Frick.

Ways and Means, room N.—Miss Brown and Mr. Brubacker.

Western State Normal School, room M.—Mr. Frick.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the recommendation of the committee,

The recommendation was concurred in.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Oakley introduced

House bill No. 10, entitled

A bill to require certain vehicles to carry lights at night on public highways and bridges of this State.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Roads and Bridges.

Mr. Oakley also introduced

House bill No. 11, entitled

A bill to amend section 7 of Act No. 267, of the Public Acts of 1911, entitled "An act to prescribe the fees of clerks of courts and registers in chancery."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Penney introduced

House bill No. 12, entitled

A bill making appropriations for the Michigan Employment Institution for the Blind for current expenses and for building and special purposes for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, and providing a tax therefor.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Employment Institution for the Blind.

Mr. Griggs introduced

House bill No. 13, entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the Pontiac State Hospital for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1916, for the purpose of equipping power boilers in the central power house with automatic stokers, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Pontiac State Hospital.

Mr. Warner introduced

House bill No. 14, entitled

A bill to amend section 4 of Act No. 205, of the Public Acts of 1887, entitled "An act to revise the laws authorizing the business of banking, and to establish a banking department for the supervision of such busi-

ness," being section 6093 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by Act No. 11, of the Public Acts of 1913, to enable state banks to become member banks under the federal reserve act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. Lewis introduced

House bill No. 15, entitled

A bill to provide for the assessment and the collection of a specific annual tax upon the class of credits founded upon and evidenced by mortgages and liens upon real property, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in contravention thereto.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on General Taxation.

Mr. Oakley introduced

House bill No. 16, entitled

A bill making appropriation for the State House of Correction in Bay County, Michigan, for the purchase of land.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Flowers introduced

House bill No. 17, entitled

A bill to provide for the erection and construction of an addition to the State Capitol building, and such alterations and changes in said building as shall thereby be made necessary, and for the proper safeguarding of the libraries therein from danger of fire, and to make appropriation therefor.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Capitol and Public Buildings.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Warner moved that when the House adjourns today it stand adjourned until tomorrow at nine o'clock a. m.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Ashley offered the following resolution:

House resolution No. 20.

Resolved, That the several House committees on State institutions be and are hereby directed to officially visit the several State institutions and other places to which they are accredited; and be it further

Resolved, That each member of said committees so visiting any of the State institutions who shall incur any expense, pursuant to the provisions of these resolutions, shall certify to his actual and necessary expense and be reimbursed therefor upon presentation to the Speaker of the House of the duly verified voucher of said expense or expenses.

The resolution was adopted.

Mr. Hoffman offered the following resolution:

House resolution No. 21.

Resolved, That the Sergeant-at-arms be and is hereby instructed not to allow lobbyists on the floor of the House of Representatives during this session.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

Mr. Hinkley moved that the resolution be referred to the Committee on Rules and Joint Rules.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Martz moved that the House adjourn.

The motion prevailed, the time being 2:25 o'clock p. m.

The Speaker declared the House adjourned until tomorrow at 9:00 o'clock a. m.

CHARLES S. PIERCE,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.

SIXTH DAY.

Lansing, Friday, January 15,

9:00 o'clock a. m.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

Religious exercises were conducted by Rev. Albert Gullledge, of the Capital Christian Church of Lansing.

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk, who announced that a quorum was present.

Messrs. Culver, Empson, Sheridan Ford, Henry, James D. Jerome, Koehler, McGraw, Martz, Palmer, Pray, Stevens, Stevenson and Wright were absent with leave.

Messrs. Ashley, Foote, Green, Griggs, Kemmerling, Kooyers, Lamphere, Miller and Sutton were absent without leave.

Mr. Hinkley moved that Mr. Kemmerling be excused from today's session.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Averill moved that Mr. Miller be excused from today's session.
The motion prevailed.

Mr. Wieland moved that Mr. Griggs be excused from today's session.
The motion prevailed.

Mr. Jones moved that Mr. Ashley be excused from today's session.
The motion prevailed.

Mr. Haviland moved that all other absentees without leave be excused from today's session.

The motion prevailed.

Messrs. DeBoer, Ormsbee and Wieland asked and obtained leaves of absence from next Monday's session.

Messrs. Daigneau, Hoffman and Robertson asked and obtained leaves of absence from next Monday and Tuesday's session.

Messrs. Haviland, Hopkins, Frank A. Smith and Van Antwerp asked and obtained indefinite leaves of absence after today's session.

Mr. Evens moved that an indefinite leave of absence be granted to Mr. Sutton.

The motion prevailed.

REPORTS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

The Special Committee appointed under House resolution No. 18, for the purpose of recommending the reference of the several parts of the Governor's message and the recommendations contained therein, by Mr. Newel Smith, Chairman, reported recommending that the several parts of the message be referred to committees as follows:

That part relative to the system of enacting laws, to the Committee on Rules and Joint Rules.

Those parts relative to the primary election law, ballot reform, short ballot and publicity for candidates, to the Committee on Elections.

Those parts relative to the budget system and taxation, to the Committee on General Taxation.

Those parts relative to the farm forestry and market commission, to the Committee on Agriculture.

That part relative to the conservation of natural resources, to the Committee on Public Lands and Forestry Interests.

Those parts relative to the Blue Sky Law and banking regulations, to the Committee on Private Corporations.

Those parts relative to a public utilities commission and a woman's reformatory, to the Committee on State Affairs.

That part relative to industrial disputes, to the Committee on Labor.

That part relative to good roads, to the Committee on Roads and Bridges.

Those parts relative to public health, habit forming drugs, housing reform and sanitary school buildings, to the Committee on Public Health.

Those parts relative to school boards and use of educational equipment, to the Committee on Education.

That part relative to the conservation of important records, to the Committee on State Capitol and Public Buildings.

That part relative to the re-location and imperishable marking of the Michigan-Ohio boundary, to the Committee on Geological Survey.

That part relative to economy, to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the report of the committee,

The report was adopted.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting Senate concurrent resolution No. 5.

Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring), That all matters stated, or remarks made in debate upon the floor of the Senate, or in Committee of the Whole of same, and on floor of the House of Representatives, or in Committee of the Whole of same, dur-

ing the general session, shall be deemed matters of privilege and shall be printed in full in the daily Journal of the Senate and the daily Journal of the House, respectively; and the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House of Representatives are hereby authorized to take such measures as are necessary to carry out the purpose of this resolution.

The question being on concurring in the adoption of the resolution,

Mr. Petermann moved that the resolution be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The motion prevailed and the resolution was so referred.

A message was also received from the Senate transmitting Senate concurrent resolution No. 8.

Whereas, Section 30 of article 5, of the State Constitution prohibits the passage of local or special acts in any case where a general act can be made applicable, but does not make any reference to the amendment or repeal of such acts; and

Whereas, Such decisions and opinions as have been rendered relative to said section seem to be fragmentary and to refer to specific cases rather than to the general situation; therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring), That the Attorney General be respectfully requested to communicate to each House his opinion relative to the following questions:

1. Are acts which regulate or prohibit the taking of fish or game in certain specific localities general or special acts?

2. Can a local act be amended or repealed in any case without a referendum to the electors in the district to be affected?

3. Can a local act be repealed with a referendum to the electors in the district to be affected?

4. Can a local act be amended with a referendum to the electors in the district to be affected?

5. When a local act is passed, amended or repealed by the Legislature and referred to the electors in the district to be affected, in accordance with section 30 of article 5 of the Constitution, and the extent of such district is not obviously certain, is there any general rule by which the district to be affected can be determined, or is it within the province of the Legislature to determine in each case as to the district within which such referendum vote shall be taken.

6. If an act relating to the taking of fish or game in a certain specified lake or other locality is a local act, what rule, if any, can be applied to determine the district to be affected?

The question being on concurring in the adoption of the resolution, The House concurred.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Hinkley introduced
House bill No. 18, entitled

A bill to provide for the locating, establishing and maintaining of a normal school at Petoskey; to make an appropriation therefor and to provide a tax to meet the same.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Oakley moved that when the House adjourns to day it stand adjourned until Monday at 7:00 o'clock p. m.

The motion did not prevail.

Mr. Flowers moved that when the House adjourns today it stand adjourned until Monday at 9:00 o'clock p. m.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Croll moved that the House adjourn.

The motion prevailed, the time being 9:25 o'clock a. m.

The Speaker declared the House adjourned until Monday at 9 o'clock p. m.

CHARLES S. PIERCE,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.

SEVENTH DAY.

Lansing, Monday, January 18.

9:00 o'clock p. m.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

Religious exercises were conducted by Rev. L. I. Brancheau of St. Mary's Catholic church, of Lansing.

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk, who announced that a quorum was present.

Messrs. Culver, Daigneau, DeBoer, Empson, Sheridan Ford, Haviland, Hopkins, Martz, Ormsbee, Robertson, Frank A. Smith, Van Antwerp and Wieland were absent with leave.

Messrs. Bosch, Flowers, Follett, Foote, Green, Griggs, Hulse, Keen, Kemmerling, Lamphere, McGraw, Nank, Petermann, Pray, Thomas Read, Rice, Rogers, Stevenson, Ward, Weissert and Wood were absent without leave.

Mr. Palmer moved that the absentees without leave be excused from today's session.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Edwards moved that an indefinite leave of absence be granted to Mr. Petermann.

The motion prevailed.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

Mr. Hinkley presented
Petition No. 3.

Protest of John C. Hill and 81 other citizens of Harbor Springs against the passage of the so-called buck law.

The protest was referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY CLERK OF PRINTING OF BILLS.

The Clerk announced that the following named bills had been printed and placed upon the files of the members Friday, January 15:

Senate bill No. 2 (file No. 2), entitled

A bill to prevent fraud in the sale and disposition of stocks, bonds or other securities sold or offered for sale within the state of Michigan by any dealer, firm, company, association or corporation, foreign or domestic, by requiring an inspection of such stocks, bonds, or other securities and an inspection of the business of such persons, firms, companies, associations or corporations, including dealers and agents, and such regulation and supervision of the business of said persons, firms, companies, associations, or corporations, including dealers and agents, as may be necessary to prevent fraud in the sale within the state, of any stocks, bonds or other securities, and to provide a penalty for the violation thereof.

The Clerk also announced the following named bills had been printed and placed upon the files of the members Saturday, January 16:

Senate bill No. 3 (file No. 3), entitled

A bill to make appropriations for the Michigan State Public School, including addition for cripples, for current expenses and building and special purposes for said institution for the two fiscal years ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, respectively, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

Senate bill No. 4 (file No. 4), entitled

A bill to amend sections 1 and 3 of Act No. 195 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to provide for grading certain clerical positions in the several departments of the state government; to regulate the compensation of department clerks; and to repeal all acts or parts of acts contravening the provisions of this act," approved June 1, 1909.

Senate bill No. 5 (file No. 5), entitled

A bill to regulate the transportation of live stock over railroads, and providing penalties for violation thereof.

Senate bill No. 6 (file No. 6), entitled

A bill making appropriations for the Michigan Soldiers' Home for building purposes, and for the refunding of excess pension money, and to provide a tax therefor.

Senate bill No. 7 (file No. 7), entitled

A bill to provide for the erection and construction of a state office building in the city of Lansing, and to make appropriation therefor.

Senate bill No. 8 (file No. 8), entitled

A bill to protect fish and to regulate fishing in the inland waters of this state, by providing closed seasons for certain kinds of fish; by prohibiting the catching of fish in certain specified ways; by prohibiting the catching of fish of certain sizes and in certain waters and for certain purposes; by prohibiting the catching and killing in the inland waters of this state of more than a certain number of certain specified kinds of fish in any one day; by prohibiting the taking away and having in possession of more than a certain number of certain kinds of fish at any point away therefrom; to prohibit the sale of certain kinds of fish; to prohibit the obstruction of the free passage of fish and to pro-

vide for the issuing of permits for the purpose of taking certain kinds of fish at certain times and to protect persons engaged in fish culture; to prohibit the possession of certain kinds of apparatus within a certain distance of the inland waters; and to repeal inconsistent acts.

Senate bill No. 10 (file No. 10), entitled

A bill to provide for the appointment of a commission to prepare and report bills for the revision and consolidation of the general laws of the state relating to registrations and elections, and to prescribe their duties and provide their compensation.

Senate bill No. 11 (file No. 11), entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of Act No. 169 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to define what shall constitute fraternal beneficiary societies, orders or associations; to provide for their incorporation and the regulation of their business, and for the punishment for violations of this act, and to repeal all existing acts or parts of acts inconsistent therewith," approved May 2, 1913; to compel all such societies to adopt a lodge system with ritualistic form of work.

Senate bill No. 18 (file No. 18), entitled

A bill to regulate the conditional sale of personal property sold for resale, and to provide for filing the contracts thereof.

The Clerk also announced that the following named bills had been printed and placed upon the files of the members today, January 18:

Senate bill No. 9 (file No. 9), entitled

A bill to amend section 15 of Act No. 194 of the Public Acts of 1889, entitled "An act to revise and consolidate the laws relative to the State Board of Education," being section 1826 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

Senate bill No. 12 (file No. 12), entitled

A bill to provide for the reduction of the period of imprisonment of persons committed to the Michigan state prison, the state house of correction and branch of the state prison in the upper peninsula, and the Michigan reformatory, for good conduct, and to repeal section 33 of Act No. 118 of the Public Acts of 1893, entitled "An act to revise and consolidate the laws relative to the state prison, to the state house of correction and branch of the state prison in the upper peninsula, and to the house of correction and reformatory at Ionia, and the government and discipline thereof, and to repeal all acts inconsistent therewith," being section 2112 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

Senate bill No. 13 (file No. 13), entitled

A bill providing the minimum number of employes to be used by common carriers and providing a penalty for the violation of any of its provisions.

Senate bill No. 14 (file No. 14), entitled

A bill to provide for the establishment and maintenance of the Michigan State Reformatory for Women; for the government and management thereof and the confining of certain persons therein; and to make an appropriation and to provide a tax to meet the expenses hereby contemplated.

Senate bill No. 15 (file No. 15), entitled

A bill relative to the record books and indexes thereto required by law to be kept in certain county offices.

Senate bill No. 16 (file No. 16), entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of Act No. 207 of the Public Acts of 1901, entitled "An act to fix the salary of the chief of the division of vital statistics in the department of state."

Senate bill No. 17 (file No. 17), entitled

A bill to punish the giving of checks, drafts or orders on any bank or other depository wherein the person so giving such check or draft shall not have sufficient funds or a credit for the payment of the same.

Senate bill No. 19 (file No. 19), entitled

A bill making appropriations for the Michigan Soldiers' Home for current expenses for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, and to provide a tax therefor.

Senate bill No. 20 (file No. 20), entitled

A bill to amend sections 1 and 2 of Act No. 91 of the Session Laws of 1839, entitled "An act to provide for the recording of town plats, and for vacating the same in certain cases," being compiler's sections 3372 and 3373 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as last amended by Act No. 297 of the Public Acts of 1913.

Senate bill No. 22 (file No. 21), entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the Pontiac State Hospital for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1916, for the purpose of equipping power boilers in the central power house with automatic stokers, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

Senate bill No. 24 (file No. 22), entitled

A bill to provide for completing the records of plats in the office of the auditor general by making an examination of all plats on file in the registers of deeds' offices in the several counties of this state, making tracings of all plats of record that are not of record in the office of the auditor general, from which blue prints shall be made and filed in the office of the auditor general, and making an appropriation therefor; and requiring county officers to furnish necessary information and certified copies of certain court orders.

Senate bill No. 25 (file No. 23), entitled

A bill to provide a tax to meet the amounts disbursed by the state for the several state hospitals, the Michigan Home and Training School and the Eloise Hospital, for the support of patients under the several laws relating thereto.

Senate bill No. 26 (file No. 24), entitled

A bill making appropriation for the State House of Correction in Bay County, Michigan, for the purchase of land.

Senate bill No. 31 (file No. 25), entitled

A bill defining state and special agents, agents and solicitors for insurance companies authorized to transact business in the state of Michigan, requiring them to be licensed annually by the commissioner of insurance, fixing the fees to be paid for and providing penalties for the transaction of business in the state of Michigan in violation of the provisions hereof; and to repeal Act No. 84 of the Public Acts of 1901, entitled "An act to require the procuring of certificates of authority in this state by all agents of insurance companies doing business within this state."

Senate bill No. 32 (file No. 26), entitled

A bill to provide for an average or pro rata rider clause to be attached to the Michigan standard fire insurance policy.

Senate bill No. 33 (file No. 27), entitled

A bill relative to the manner in which fire insurance companies operating in this state shall conduct their business, and providing a penalty for its violation.

Mr. Schmidt moved that the House adjourn.

The motion prevailed, the time being 9:12 o'clock p.m.

The Speaker declared the House adjourned until tomorrow at 2:00 o'clock p. m.

CHARLES S. PIERCE,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.

EIGHTH DAY.

Lansing, Tuesday, January 19.

2 o'clock p. m.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

Religious exercises were conducted by Rev. William F. Jerome, of St. Peter's Episcopal Church, of Hillsdale.

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk, who announced that a quorum was present.

Messrs. Daigneau, Empson, Haviland, Hopkins, Martz, Petermann, Robertson, Frank A. Smith and Van Antwerp were absent with leave.

Messrs. Bosch, Follett, Green, Kemmerling, Lamphere, Thomas Read, Rogers, Samuel J. Smith and Wood were absent without leave.

**Mr. Watkins moved that Mr. Bosch be excused from today's session.
The motion prevailed.**

Mr. Leland moved that Mr. Thomas Read be excused from today's session.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Koehler moved that the other absentees without leave be excused from today's session.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Stevens asked and obtained an indefinite leave of absence for the members of the Committee on College of Mines after today's session.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

**Mr. Hinkley presented
Petition No. 4.**

**Protest of Arthur B. Backus and 34 other citizens of Harbor Springs,
against the proposed change in the present mortgage tax law.**

The protest was referred to the Committee on General Taxation.

Mr. Chapin presented

Petition No. 5.

Protest of B. E. Jones and 63 other citizens of Antrim county, against the so-called buck law.

The protest was referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Wolcott presented

Petition No. 6.

Petition of James A. Welch and 16 other members of the Battle Creek Dental Society, favoring an appropriation to provide for a State lecturer on oral hygiene.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Public Health.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY CLERK OF PRINTING OF BILLS.

The Clerk announced that the following bill had been printed and placed upon the files of the members Saturday, January 16:

House bill No. 6 (file No. 1), entitled

A bill to prevent fraud in the sale and disposition of stocks, bonds or other securities sold or offered for sale within the State of Michigan by any dealer, firm, company, association or corporation, foreign or domestic, by requiring an inspection of such stocks, bonds or other securities and an inspection of the business of such persons, firms, companies, associations or corporations, including dealers and agents, and such regulation and supervision of the business of said persons, firms, companies, associations, or corporations, including dealers and agents, as may be necessary to prevent fraud in the sale within the state, of any stocks, bonds or other securities, and to provide a penalty for the violation thereof.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM STATE OFFICERS.

The Speaker laid before the House a communication from the Auditor General, which was read by the Clerk:

Auditor General's Office,
Lansing, January 18, 1915.

Hon. Charles W. Smith, Speaker, House of Representatives:

Dear Sir—In compliance with House concurrent resolution No. 4, I herewith submit a detailed statement of the amount of money received for licenses issued for non-resident wholesale liquor dealers in accordance with Act 291, of 1909.

Yours truly,
O. B. FULLER,
Auditor General.

Mr. Palmer moved that the recapitulation of the statement be spread upon the Journal.

The motion prevailed.

The detailed statement was referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic.

The recapitulation follows:

RECAPITULATION.

For the period ending April 30, 1910.....	\$10,291.77
For the period ending April 30, 1911.....	33,291.84
For the period ending April 30, 1912.....	29,875.07
For the period ending April 30, 1913.....	24,750.03
For the period ending April 30, 1914.....	24,791.73
For the period ending April 30, 1915.....	23,125.04
Total	<u>\$146,125.48</u>

The license fee is \$500.00 per year. For the first six months of the year the fee is pro rated as follows:

May 1 to April 30.....	\$500.00
June 1 to April 30.....	458.34
July 1 to April 30.....	416.67
August 1 to April 30.....	375.00
September 1 to April 30.....	333.34
October 1 to April 30.....	291.67

No license issued for less than \$250.00 and this for the last six months of the year ending April 30th.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Federal Relations, by Mr. Koehler, Chairman, reported

House concurrent resolution No. 7.

Whereas, We deplore the terrible havoc wrought by the great conflict across the seas where almost all of Europe is rent and torn by shot and shell, and deeply sympathize with the women and children and other non-combatants in their untold sufferings; therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), that a respectful message be sent to the President, the Honorable Woodrow Wilson, and the Congress of the United States now assembled at Washington, D. C., urging upon this country a policy of absolute neutrality and fair play and protesting against the exportation and shipment of all munitions of war, and be it further

Resolved, That we urge upon the Congress of the United States the passage of a resolution prohibiting the exportation and shipment of arms, ammunition and other war materials to the belligerent nations of Europe, and that all such shipments should cease at once.

With the recommendation that the resolution be adopted.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

Mr. Henry demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was seconded.

After debate,

Mr. Tufts demanded the previous question.

The demand was seconded.

The question being on the demand for the previous question,

The previous question was ordered.

The resolution was then not adopted, a majority of all the members present not voting therefor by yeas and nays as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Anderson	Mr. Hulse	Mr. Oakley	Mr. Smith, Newel
Biggerstaff	Jones	Penney	Weissert
Chapin	Koehler	Place	Whiteley
Gayde	Miller	Quintel	Wieland
Griggs	Nank	Schmidt	

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NAYS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Gettel	Mr. O'Brien	Mr. Stevens
Ashley	Henry	Olmsted	Stevenson
Averill	Hinkley	Ormsbee	Sutton
Clark	Hoffman	Palmer	Symonds
Cowan	Jerome, Jas. D.	Person	Tufts
Culver	Jerome, Wm. F.	Pray	Vine
Daprato	Keen	Reed, C. J.	Ward
De Boer	Kooyers	Rice	Warner
Edwards	Leland	Root	Watkins
Evens	Lewis	Ross	Wells
Ewing	McGraw	Sherman	Wiley
Flowers	Martin	Shields	Wolcott
Foote	Matthews	Sly	Woodruff
Ford, R. L.	Moore	Snow	Wright
Ford, Sheridan	Nelson	Sours	Speaker
Francis			

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REPORTS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

The Special Committee appointed under House resolution No. 17, by Mr. Oakley, Chairman, made its report, recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

Whereas, The House of Representatives of the State of Michigan in regular session assembled this 19th day of January, A. D., 1915, has learned with deep regret of the death at Hart, Michigan, on February 13, 1914, of the Honorable Rufus F. Skeels, member of the last House; and

Whereas, Representative Skeels made an enviable record during his service by his ability and progressiveness, and endeared himself to all of the members by his brave struggles, making his services, under the difficulties with which he labored, a lesson to all of fortitude and courage, and rendering his loss to the state a conspicuous one; and his family, as well as the state, has suffered greatly in the loss of their loving father and faithful husband; therefore, be it

Resolved, That we express the grief we feel in the loss of Representative Skeels and extend to his family our deep and abiding sympathy in their bereavement; and be it further

Resolved, That the Clerk of this House be instructed to spread these resolutions upon the records of this body, and to send an engrossed copy hereof to the family of the deceased.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.
The question being on the adoption of the report of the committee,
The report, by a rising vote, was unanimously adopted.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Palmer introduced
House bill No. 19, entitled

A bill to provide for the examination, regulation, licensing and registration of chiropractors; for the appointment of a State Board of Registration in Chiropractic; for the punishment of offenders against this act, and the repeal of all acts and parts of acts in conflict herewith.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Public Health.

Mr. Newel Smith introduced
House bill No. 20, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of Act No. 195 of the Public Acts of Michigan for the year 1879, being an act defining the powers and duties of prosecuting attorneys, being section 2569 of the Compiled Laws for 1897.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Oakley introduced
House bill No. 21, entitled

A bill to amend sections 6 and 11 of Act No. 599 of the Local Acts of 1907, entitled "An act to provide for the creation of a board of county auditors for the county of Bay; to prescribe the powers and duties of its members, and to provide for their compensation," approved June 12, 1907, and to add one new section thereto, to stand as section 11a.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Oakley also introduced
House bill No. 22, entitled

A bill to amend section 45 of Act No. 84 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to increase the efficiency of the military establishment of the state of Michigan, to make an appropriation therefor, and to repeal all former acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. Clarence J. Reed introduced
House bill No. 23, entitled

A bill to provide for the payment of salaries to the sheriff, undersheriff, county clerk, county treasurer, register of deeds, prosecuting attorney, and the deputies and assistants of said officers, in the several counties of this State; to provide for the collection of fees and the pay-

ment thereof by said officers into the county treasury, and to prescribe penalties for the violation of this act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Towns and Counties.

Mr. Hoffman introduced

House bill No. 24, entitled

A bill to amend sections 10, 11, 12, 13 and 16 of chapter 81 of the Revised Statutes of 1846, entitled "Fraudulent conveyances and contracts relative to personal property," being sections 9523, 9524, 9525, 9526 and 9529 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, said section 9523 being last amended by Act No. 332 of the Public Acts of 1907.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Wolcott introduced

House bill No. 25, entitled

A bill to repeal Act No. 118 of the Public Acts of 1905, entitled "An act to provide for the payment of bounties for the killing of English sparrows," approved May 11, 1905.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Moore introduced

House bill No. 26, entitled

A bill making appropriations for the State Industrial Home for Girls for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Industrial Home for Girls.

Mr. William F. Jerome introduced

House bill No. 27, entitled

A bill making appropriation for the Industrial School for Boys for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Industrial School for Boys.

Mr. Warner introduced

House bill No. 28, entitled

A bill to amend section 152 of Act No. 154 of the Public Acts of 1899, entitled "An act to amend sections 21 and 22 of Act No. 206 of the Public Acts of 1893, entitled 'An act to provide for the assessment of property, and the levy and collection of taxes thereon, and for the collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied; making such taxes a lien on the lands taxed, establishing and continuing such lien, providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes, and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the State and not redeemed or purchased, and to repeal Act No. 200 of the Public Acts of 1891, and all other acts and parts of acts in any wise contravening any of the provisions of this act,' approved June 1, 1893, as amended by Acts Nos. 25,

154, 162 and 299 of the Public Acts of 1895 and Acts Nos. 206, 214, 224, 225, 229, 240 and 261 of the Public Acts of 1897, and to add ten new sections thereto, and to stand as sections 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153 and 154, providing for the creation of a board of state tax commissioners charged with the duty of enforcing this act and exercising supervisory control over the officers administering the general tax laws of this State and reporting to the legislature thereon, and empowered in certain cases to review assessment rolls and correct the same or add thereto, and to provide for the assessment and taxation of property omitted from the assessment rolls," as last amended by Act No. 281 of the Public Acts of 1905, Act No. 8 of the Public Acts of 1909, Act No. 17 of the Public Acts of 1911 and Act No. 153 of the Public Acts of 1913.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on General Taxation.

Mr. Stevens introduced

House bill No. 29, entitled

A bill to provide for the establishment and maintenance in this State of a state house of correction at or near the village of Lake City, in the county of Missaukee; for the confinement of convicted persons therein; for the government and discipline thereof; to make appropriations therefor; and to repeal Act No. 356 of the Public Acts of 1913, approved May 13, 1913.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Tufts moved that the House adjourn.

The motion prevailed, the time being 3:00 o'clock p. m.

The Speaker declared the House adjourned until tomorrow at 2:00 o'clock p. m.

CHARLES S. PIERCE,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.

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NINTH DAY.

Lansing, Wednesday, January 20.

2 o'clock p. m.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

Religious exercises were conducted by Rev. Dr. J. G. Haller, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, of Lapeer.

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk, who announced that a quorum was present.

Messrs. Empson, Foote, Green, Hopkins, Martz, Petermann, Pray, Frank A. Smith, Stevens, Van Antwerp and Weissert were absent with leave.

Messrs. Amon, Anderson, DeBoer, Follett, Gettel, Kemmerling, Mc-Millan, Matthews, Thomas Read, Rogers, Stevenson and Whiteley were absent without leave.

Mr. Averill moved that Mr. DeBoer be excused from today's session.
The motion prevailed.

Mr. Haviland moved that the other absentees without leave be excused from today's session.
The motion prevailed.

Mr. Lamphere asked and obtained a leave of absence for the balance of the week after today's session.

Mr. Clark asked and obtained a leave of absence for the balance of the week after today's session.

Mr. Hinkley moved that the members of the Committee on Fish and Fisheries be excused for the balance of the week.
The motion prevailed.

Mr. Flowers asked and obtained an indefinite leave of absence after today's session.

Mr. Henry moved that an indefinite leave of absence be granted the members of the Committee on Northern State Normal School after to-day's session.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Tufts asked and obtained an indefinite leave of absence for the members of the Committee on State House of Correction and Branch of the State Prison in the Upper Peninsula after today's session.

Mr. Ewing asked and obtained an indefinite leave of absence for the members of the Committee on Newberry State Hospital after today's session.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

Mr. Olmsted presented
Petition No. 7.

Petition of Wellington Wilson and 140 other residents of Midland County in favor of legislation to permit the netting of certain soft fish.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Fish and Fisheries.

Mr. Sours presented
Petition No. 8.

Petition of A. M. Willobee and 16 other citizens of Old Mission, favoring an increased mill tax for the Michigan Agricultural College.

And

Petition No. 9.

Petition of S. M. Perry and 16 other citizens of Williamsburg, on the same subject.

The petitions were referred to the Committee on Agricultural College.

Mr. Leland presented
Petition No. 10.

Petition of D. A. Heath and 30 other citizens of Allegan County, requesting the passage of a law prohibiting the use of spears in taking fish from the inland waters of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Fish and Fisheries.

Mr. Ormsbee presented
Petition No. 11.

Petition of John Wildanger, Jr., and 170 other citizens of Genesee County, requesting that no change be made in the present laws relating to hunting deer.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Wright presented
Petition No. 12.

Petition of George Gill and seven other members of the Board of Supervisors of Washtenaw County, requesting that no change be made in the present law relative to good roads districts.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Roads and Bridges.

Mr. Lewis presented

Petition No. 13.

Petition of L. H. Bolinger and 69 other citizens of Van Buren County, requesting the repeal of Act No. 87 of the Public Acts of 1907 relative to the spearing of fish.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Fish and Fisheries.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Flowers introduced

House bill No. 30, entitled

A bill to define what shall constitute partnerships; the relation of partners to persons dealing with the partnerships; the relation of partners to one another; to provide for the dissolution and winding up of partnerships; and to make uniform the law relating thereto.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Lewis introduced

House bill No. 31, entitled

A bill to repeal Act No. 87 of the Public Acts of 1907, entitled "An act to prohibit the spearing of fish in any of the public streams or rivers in certain townships of VanBuren County," subject to a referendum to the electors of each township affected before this act becomes effective in such township.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Fish and Fisheries.

Mr. Lewis also introduced

House bill No. 32, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 6 and 9 of Act No. 329 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to provide for an angler's license for non-residents of the State to take or catch or attempt to take or catch fish with hook and line in the inland lakes and streams in this State; to provide that licensees may take from the State a day's legal catch; to provide a penalty for the violation of any of the provisions of this act; and to authorize and regulate the disbursements of fees collected thereunder."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Fish and Fisheries.

Mr. Wolcott introduced

House bill No. 33, entitled

A bill to amend section 9 of Act No. 207 of the Public Acts of 1889, entitled "An act to prohibit the manufacture, sale, keeping for sale, giving away or furnishing of vinous, malt, brewed, fermented, spirituous or intoxicating liquors, or any mixed liquor or beverage any part of which is intoxicating, and to prohibit the keeping of any saloon or other place for the manufacture, sale, storing for sale, giving away or furnishing of such liquors or beverages, and to suspend the general laws of the State relative to the taxation and regulation of the manufacture and sale of

such liquors in the several counties of this State under certain circumstances; to authorize the qualified electors of the several counties in this State to express their will in regard to such prohibition by an election, and to authorize and empower the Board of Supervisors of the several counties, after such election, if they shall determine the result to be in favor of such prohibition, to prohibit the manufacture, sale, keeping for sale, giving away or furnishing of any such liquors, or the keeping of a saloon or any other place for the manufacture, sale, storing for sale, giving away or furnishing of the same within their respective counties; and to provide for penalties and rights of action in case of its violation," as last amended by Act No. 183 of the Public Acts of 1899, being section 5420 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, relative to the period of time in which the question of local option under the act may be resubmitted.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Tufts introduced

House bill No. 34, entitled

A bill to amend section 32 of Act No. 183 of the Public Acts of 1897, entitled "An act to provide for the appointment and to fix the term of office, duties and compensation of circuit court stenographers in the State of Michigan," approved May 29, 1897, being section 394 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, relative to the compensation of circuit court stenographers in the nineteenth judicial circuit.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Tufts also introduced

House bill No. 35, entitled

A bill requiring every resident man, woman and child of every incorporated city and village of the State of Michigan to register or be registered in the office of the city or village clerk, and to provide penalties for violation thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Biggerstaff introduced

House bill No. 36, entitled

A bill to make an appropriation for the Michigan State Prison at Jackson, Michigan, for general repairs and special purposes for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Michigan State Prison.

Mr. Biggerstaff also introduced

House bill No. 37, entitled

A bill to provide for the preservation in the State library of all reports, bulletins, pamphlets and other publications issued by any department of the State government.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Library.

Mr. Biggerstaff also introduced

House bill No. 38, entitled

A bill to provide for the purchase of books for the Michigan State Library and books and equipment for the Michigan traveling libraries, and for printing and binding, making an appropriation therefor and providing a tax to meet the same.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Library.

Mr. Sours introduced

House bill No. 39, entitled

A bill making appropriations for the Traverse City State hospital for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1915, for dining room, industrial building, fire protection at farm barns, and other special purposes, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Traverse City State Hospital.

Mr. Olmsted introduced

House bill No. 40, entitled

A bill to create the board of trustees of the Central Michigan Sanatorium, and to vest the management and control of said sanatorium in said board; and to repeal section 2 of Act No. 348 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to establish a State sanatorium in the township of Jerome, county of Midland, State of Michigan, to be known as the Central Michigan Sanatorium for the care and treatment of persons having tuberculosis, and making appropriations therefor, and to provide a tax to meet the same," approved May 13, 1913.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Jones introduced

House bill No. 41, entitled

A bill to provide for the inspection of steam boilers by the Commissioner of Labor in certain cases; fixing his powers and duties with respect thereto, and to provide a penalty for violation of the provisions hereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Labor.

Mr. Sherman introduced

House bill No. 42, entitled

A bill to provide for the payment of salaries to the sheriff, undersheriff, county clerk, county treasurer, register of deeds, prosecuting attorney and deputies of said officers of the several counties of the State of Michigan; providing for the collection of all fees and payment of the same to the county treasurer, and prescribing penalties for the violation of this act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Towns and Counties.

Mr. Daprato introduced
House bill No. 43, entitled

A bill to amend section 17 of Act No. 285 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to provide for the creation of a Department of Labor; to prescribe its powers and duties; to regulate the employment of labor; to make an appropriation for the maintenance of such department, and to prescribe penalties for the violation of this act," approved June 2, 1909.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Labor.

Mr. Leland introduced
House bill No. 44, entitled

A bill to regulate and license the fishing with any kind of apparatus for the purpose of taking clams, mollusks or pearls in any of the inland waters of this State by non-residents.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Fish and Fisheries.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Edwards moved that when the House adjourns Friday it stand adjourned until Monday at 9 o'clock p. m.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Edwards moved that when the House adjourns Thursday it stand adjourned until Friday at 9 o'clock a. m.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Flowers offered the following resolution:

House resolution No. 22.

Resolved, That the Clerk of the House be and is hereby empowered to employ an additional mailing clerk.

The resolution was adopted.

The Clerk announced the appointment of George W. Barbour, of Genesee county, as an additional mailing clerk, in accordance with House resolution No. 22.

The Speaker announced the appointment of Rankin Young, of Leslie, as a janitor in place of Hugh M. Nichols, resigned.

Mr. Oakley moved that the House adjourn.

The motion prevailed, the time being 2:30 o'clock p. m.

The Speaker declared the House adjourned until tomorrow at 2 o'clock p. m.

CHARLES S. PIERCE,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.

TENTH DAY.

Lansing, Thursday, January 21.

2:00 o'clock p. m.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

Religious exercises were conducted by Rev. F. W. Stephenson of the Main St. Methodist Protestant Church, of Lansing.

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk, who announced that a quorum was present.

Messrs. Amon, Anderson, Clark, Cowan, Daigneau, DeBoer, Empson, Ewing, Follett, Foote, Gettel, Green, Henry, Hopkins, Kemmerling, Lamphere, McMillan, Martz, Matthews, Moore, Olmsted, Petermann, Pray, Ross, Frank A. Smith, Stevens, Stevenson, Tufts, Van Antwerp, Vine, Weissert and Whiteley were absent with leave.

Messrs. Oakley, Rogers and Sutton were absent without leave.

Mr. Evens moved that Mr. Sutton be excused from today's and tomorrow's sessions.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Jones moved that Mr. Oakley be excused from today's and tomorrow's sessions.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Palmer moved that the other absentees without leave be excused from today's session.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Griggs moved that the members of the Committee on State Normal College be excused from tomorrow's session.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Wolcott moved that the members of the Committee on Michigan School for the Deaf be excused from tomorrow's session.

The motion prevailed.

Messrs. Keen, Koehler, Culver, McGraw and Sheridan Ford asked and obtained leaves of absence from tomorrow's session.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

Mr. Warner presented

Petition No. 14.

Petition of George Wiley and 164 other citizens of the county of Ionia relative to the abolishment of the State Tax Commission or the limitation of its powers.

The petition was referred to the Committee on General Taxation.

Mr. Place presented

Petition No. 15.

Protest of L. W. Falker and 42 other citizens of St. Joseph county against the passage of the so-called buck law.

The protest was referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Sours presented

Petition No. 16.

Resolutions adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Traverse City State Hospital relative to establishing a general hospital department at said institution.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on Traverse City State Hospital.

Mr. Sours moved that the resolutions be spread upon the Journal.

The motion prevailed.

The following are the resolutions:

Resolved, That the Legislature be respectfully requested to authorize the Board of Trustees to establish, in connection with the Traverse City State Hospital, a general hospital department, to be devoted to the treatment of surgical and medical cases; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Senator and Representative from this District in the Legislature with the request that they present the measure to the Legislature and urge the passage of the same.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Flowers introduced

House bill No. 45, entitled

A bill to provide for the examination, registration, regulation and licensing of chiropodists, and for the punishment of offenders against this act, and to repeal acts or parts of acts in conflict therewith.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Public Health.

Mr. Culver introduced

House bill No. 46, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1, 9, 10, 11, 12 and 13 of chapter 5 of Act No. 281 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to revise, consolidate and add to the laws relating to the establishment, opening, improvement, maintenance and use of the public highways and private roads; the condemnation of property and gravel therefor; the building, repairing and preservation of bridges; setting and protecting shade trees, drainage, cutting weeds and brush within this state and providing for the election, and defining the powers, duties and compensation of state, county, township and district highway officials," approved June 2, 1909.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Roads and Bridges.

Mr. Haviland introduced

House bill No. 47, entitled

A bill for the improvement of a certain portion of the highway known as the "Fort Gratiot Turnpike" located in the township of Columbus in the county of St. Clair, and making appropriation therefor.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Roads and Bridges.

Mr. Hulse introduced

House bill No. 48, entitled

A bill to prohibit the manufacture, sale, keeping for sale or giving away cigarettes, cigarette papers or wrappers or other substitutes therefor, and providing a penalty for the violation thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Edwards introduced

House bill No. 49, entitled

A bill making appropriation for special purposes for the Michigan Home and Training School at Lapeer for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Michigan Home and Training School.

Mr. Schmidt introduced

House bill No. 50, entitled

A bill to amend sections 42, 44, 45, 46 and 59 of Act No. 206 of the Public Acts for the year 1893, entitled "An act to provide for the assessment of property and the levy and collection of taxes thereon, and for the collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied; making such taxes a lien on the lands taxed, establishing and continuing such lien; providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes, and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the State and not redeemed or purchased; and to repeal Act No. 200 of the Public Acts

of 1891 and all other acts and parts of acts in any wise contravening any of the provisions of this act," the same being sections 3865, 3867, 3868, 3869 and 3882 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on General Taxation.

Mr. Root introduced

House bill No. 51, entitled

A bill to amend section 39 of chapter 25 of Act 266 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to amend Act No. 283 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled 'An act to revise, consolidate and add to the laws relating to the establishment, opening, improvement, maintenance and use of the public highways and private roads; the condemnation of property and gravel therefor; the building, repairing and preservation of bridges; setting and protecting shade trees, drainage, cutting weeds and brush within this state and providing for the election and defining the powers, duties and compensation, of state, county, township and district highway officials;' approved June 2, 1909, by adding thereto a new chapter to be known as chapter 25, providing for the repair and improvement of highways by means of assessment of statute labor; for the election of overseers of highways; prescribing the qualifications and duties thereof; providing for the carrying of the same into effect, and prescribing the conditions under which the same shall supersede all provisions inconsistent therewith; and enabling townships to adopt or repeal the provisions hereof upon a referendum vote of a majority of the qualified voters voting thereon; providing for assessments, for highway purposes, for the performance of labor on highways and the commutation therefor, and to prescribe penalties, forfeitures and general duties of overseers."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Roads and Bridges.

Mr. Ransom L. Ford introduced

House bill No. 52, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1, 2 and 3 of Act No. 144 of the Public Acts of 1901, entitled "An act to provide for the establishment and maintenance of rural high schools," approved May 21, 1901, as last amended by Act No. 97 of the Public Acts of 1909; to permit of the discontinuance of any rural high school established under the provisions of said act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Hinkley introduced

House bill No. 53, entitled

A bill to provide a tax to meet the amounts disbursed by the state for the current expenses of the Michigan State Prison, the State House of Correction and Branch Prison in the Upper Peninsula and the Michigan Reformatory.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Michigan State Prison.

Mr. Warner introduced

House bill No. 54, entitled

A bill to repeal section 11 of Act No. 105, of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to provide a uniform system of probation throughout the State of Michigan; the appointment of probation officers and to prescribe the powers, duties and compensation of such officers; to provide a penalty for the violation of his duties; and to repeal Act No. 91 of the Public Acts of 1903, as amended."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Koehler made written request for the printing of
House bill No. 5, entitled

A bill to provide for the incorporation of cremation companies and associations.

And

House bill No. 8, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1 and 2 of Act No. 91 of the Session Laws of 1839, entitled "An act to provide for the recording of town plats, and for vacating the same in certain cases," being compiler's sections 3372 and 3373 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as last amended by Act No. 297 of the Public Acts of 1913.

The request was referred to the Committee on Printing.

Mr. Koehler moved that the House adjourn.

The motion prevailed, the time being 2:21 o'clock p. m.

The Speaker declared the House adjourned until tomorrow at 9:00 o'clock a. m.

CHARLES S. PIERCE,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.

ELEVENTH DAY.

Lansing, Friday, January 22.

9 o'clock a. m.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

Religious exercises were conducted by Rev. Richard Spetnagle of the Franklin Avenue Presbyterian Church, of Lansing.

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk, who announced that a quorum was not present.

Messrs. Amon, Anderson, Clark, Cowan, Culver, Daigneau, DeBoer, Edwards, Empson, Ewing, Follett, Foote, Sheridan Ford, Gettel, Green, Griggs, Henry, Hopkins, Keen, Kemmerling, Koehler, Lamphere, McGraw, McMillan, Martin, Martz, Matthews, Moore, Oakley, Olmsted, Petermann, Pray, Ross, Frank A. Smith, Samuel J. Smith, Stevens, Stevenson, Sutton, Tufts, Van Antwerp, Vine, Warner, Weissert, Wells, Whiteley, Wolcott and Wright were absent with leave.

Messrs. Haviland, James D. Jerome, Kooyers, Nank, Palmer, Rice, Rogers, Sherman and Woodruff were absent without leave.

Mr. Averill moved that the House adjourn.

The motion prevailed, the time being 9:08 o'clock a. m.

The Speaker declared the House adjourned until Monday at 9 o'clock p. m.

**CHARLES S. PIERCE,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.**

TWELFTH DAY.

Lansing Monday, January 25.

9 o'clock p. m.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

Religious exercises were conducted by Rev. M. L. Fox, of the Central Methodist Church, of Lansing.

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk, who announced that a quorum was present.

Messrs. Cowan, Follett, Martz, Olmsted, Ross, Frank A. Smith, Stevens and Tufts were absent with leave.

Messrs. Bosch, Ransom L. Ford, Haviland, Lamphere, Leland, McGraw, McMillan, Matthews, Nelson, Ormsbee, Palmer, Person, Place, Snow, Stevenson, Whiteley, Wieland and Wood were absent without leave.

Mr. Koehler moved that Mr. Haviland be excused from today's session.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Newel Smith moved that the other absentees without leave be excused from today's session.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Wiley moved that an indefinite leave of absence be granted to the members of the Committee on Pontiac State Hospital.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. James D. Jerome moved that an indefinite leave of absence be granted to Mr. McGraw.

The motion prevailed.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

Mr. Penney presented

Petition No. 17.

Petition of Otto Bowser and 11 other citizens of Saginaw county, asking for an increased mill tax for the Michigan Agricultural College.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Michigan Agricultural College.

Mr. Foote presented

Petition No. 18.

Petition of W. O. Barber and 29 other citizens of Kent county in favor of the present deer hunting law.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

The Speaker presented

Petition No. 19.

Petition of John Courter and 37 other citizens of Lapeer county on the same subject.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Kooyers presented

Petition No. 20.

Resolutions adopted by the Common Council of the city of Holland in favor of the anti-cigarette bill.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Oakley made written request for the printing of House bill No. 10, entitled

A bill to require certain vehicles to carry lights at night on public highways and bridges of this State.

The request was referred to the Committee on Printing.

Mr. Jones made written request for the printing of House bill No. 41, entitled

A bill to provide for the inspection of steam boilers by the Commissioner of Labor in certain cases; fixing his powers and duties with respect thereto, and to provide a penalty for violation of the provisions hereof.

The request was referred to the Committee on Printing.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Newel Smith introduced

House bill No. 55, entitled

A bill to provide for the registration, identification, and regulation of

motor vehicles operated upon the public highways of this State and of the operators of such vehicles, and to provide for levying specific taxes upon such vehicles so operated and registering certain operators thereof, and to provide for the disposition of such funds, and to provide for other means of taxation of motor vehicles so operated, and to repeal all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith or contrary hereto.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Roads and Bridges.

Mr. Symonds introduced

House bill No. 56, entitled

A bill to amend section 5 of Act No. 147 of the Public Acts of 1891, entitled "An act to provide for the election of a county commissioner of schools, for the appointment of school examiners, and to define the duties and fix the compensation for the same, and to repeal all existing acts or parts of acts conflicting with the provisions of this act," being compiler's section 4812 of the compiled laws of 1897, as last amended by Act No. 231 of the Public Acts of 1913.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Foote introduced

House bill No. 57, entitled

A bill to amend section 4 of Act No. 65 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to provide for the payment of tuition in and transportation to another district of children who have completed the eighth grade in any school district; and to repeal Act No. 190 of the Public Acts of 1903 and all other acts and parts of acts in any wise contravening the provisions of this act."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Oakley introduced

House bill No. 58, entitled

A bill relating to the rights, powers and disabilities of aliens, and of certain companies, associations and corporations, with respect to property in this State, providing for escheats in certain cases, prescribing the procedure therein, and repealing all acts or parts of acts inconsistent or in conflict therewith.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Sly introduced

House bill No. 59, entitled

A bill making appropriations for the Newberry State Hospital at Newberry, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1916, for buildings and special purposes and to provide a tax to meet the same.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Newberry State Hospital.

Mr. Oakley moved that the House adjourn.

The motion prevailed, the time being 9:20 o'clock p. m.

The Speaker declared the House adjourned until tomorrow at 2 o'clock p. m.

CHARLES S. PIERCE,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.

THIRTEENTH DAY.

Lansing, Tuesday, January 26.

2 o'clock p. m.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

Religious exercises were conducted by Rev. H. J. Simpson of St. Paul's Episcopal church, of Lansing.

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk, who announced that a quorum was present.

Messrs. Follett, Haviland, McGraw, Martz, Nelson, Olmsted, Ormsbee, Palmer, Snow and Tufts were absent with leave.

Messrs. Bosch and Wieland were absent without leave.

Mr. Watkins moved that Mr. Bosch be excused from today's session. The motion prevailed.

Mr. Clarence J. Reed moved that the other absentee without leave be excused from today's session.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Newel Smith asked and obtained a leave of absence for the balance of the week.

Mr. Rogers moved that the members of the Committee on Kalamazoo State Hospital be excused from tomorrow's session.

The motion prevailed.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

Mr. Sours presented

Petition No. 21.

Petition of W. A. White and 62 other members of Traverse City Council No. 361 of the United Commercial Travelers protesting against an

increase in the passenger rates charged by the railroads of Michigan.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Place presented

Petition No. 22.

Petition of A. M. Hunt and 26 other citizens of St. Joseph county in favor of the present deer hunting law.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Ransom L. Ford presented

Petition No. 23.

Petition of J. S. Parr and 62 other citizens of Genesee county on the same subject.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Lewis presented

Petition No. 24.

Petition of Chas. L. Northrup and 72 other citizens of Hartford township, Van Buren county, requesting the passage of a bill permitting the hunting of rabbits with ferrets in said township.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

And

Petition No. 25.

Resolutions adopted by the Mutual Exchange Telephone System of Chicora, Michigan, favoring the passage of House bill No. 9, relative to mutual telephone companies.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. Frank A. Smith presented

Petition No. 26.

Petition of Jesse Nutter and 55 other citizens of Wexford county in favor of the present deer hunting law.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Hulse presented

Petition No. 27.

Petition of W. S. Hall and 10 other citizens of Clinton county on the same subject.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Chapin presented

Petition No. 28.

Petition of Alex Turk and 69 other citizens of Antrim county requesting the passage of a law prohibiting the catching of black bass in Clam lake, said county.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Fish and Fisheries.

Mr. Rogers presented

Petition No. 29.

Petition of Philip Murphy and 21 other citizens of Muskegon county in favor of the present deer hunting law.

And

Petition No. 30.

Petition of E. W. Husted and 14 other citizens of Holton, Muskegon county, on the same subject.

The petitions were referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Michigan Employment Institution for the Blind, by Mr. Croll, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 12, entitled

A bill making appropriations for the Michigan Employment Institution for the Blind for current expenses and for building and special purposes for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, and providing a tax therefor.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Penney introduced

House bill No. 60, entitled

A bill making appropriations for building, equipping and operating a fish hatchery on or near the head waters of the Saginaw river, in the city of Saginaw, for hatching wall-eyed pike, perch and other food fish for planting in the inland and border waters of the State of Michigan; said fish hatchery to be built, equipped and operated by the State Board of Fish Commissioners, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Fish and Fisheries.

Mr. Oakley introduced

House bill No. 61, entitled

A bill to promote the safety of travelers and employes upon the railroads operating in the State of Michigan by limiting the length of trains operated by common carriers, and providing a penalty for the violation of this act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Empson introduced

House bill No. 62, entitled

A bill to amend section 18 of chapter 9 of Act No. 3, of the Public Acts of 1895, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation of villages within the State of Michigan, and defining their powers and duties," said section being section 2869 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Village Corporations.

Mr. Empson also introduced

House bill No. 63, entitled

A bill to repeal section 9 of Act No. 183 of the Public Acts of 1911,

entitled "An act to provide for formulating and establishing a uniform system of accounting and reporting in the several departments of the State government, including State institutions and boards, and in all county offices charged with the keeping of accounts throughout the State, under the supervision of the auditor general; to provide for the examination of the books and accounts of the several State departments, including State institutions and boards and county officers charged with the keeping of accounts; and to further provide for annual reports showing all receipts and expenditures of the several State departments, State institutions and boards and county offices, and for the tabulation and publication of comparative statistics of the receipts and expenditures of said State departments, State institutions and boards and county offices, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts contravening any of the provisions of this act."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Empson also introduced

House bill No. 64, entitled

A bill to amend section 35 of Act 206 of the Public Acts of 1893, being "An act to provide for assessment of property and levy and collection of taxes thereon; and for collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied; making such taxes a lien on the lands taxed; establishing and continuing such lien; providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes, and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the State and not redeemed or purchased; and to repeal Act No. 200 of the Public Acts of 1891, and all other acts and parts of acts in any wise contravening any of the provisions of this act," being section 3858 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on General Taxation.

Mr. Empson also introduced

House bill No. 65, entitled

A bill to amend the title, and to add a new section to stand as section 2, of Act No. 311 of the Public Acts of 1905, entitled "An act relative to the cost of bonds to be furnished by State officers," as last amended by Act No. 82 of the Public Acts of 1913.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Empson also introduced

House bill No. 66, entitled

A bill to amend section 84 of Act No. 206 of the Public Acts of 1893, being "An act to provide for the assessment of property and the levy and collection of taxes thereon, and for the collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied; making such taxes a lien on the lands taxed; establishing and continuing such lien; providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes; and for the inspection and disposition of land bid off to the State and not redeemed or purchased; and to repeal Act 200 of the Public Acts of 1891 and all other acts and parts of acts in any wise contravening any of the provisions of this

act," being section 3907 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by Act 262 of the Public Acts of 1899.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on General Taxation.

Mr. Place introduced

House bill No. 67, entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the Michigan Soldiers' Home for building and special purposes and for the refunding of excess pension money, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1916, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Michigan Soldiers' Home.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Sheridan Ford offered the following resolutions:

House resolution No. 23.

Whereas, It is generally reported through the press and other sources that one Merle Van Vorce is at present an inmate of Jackson prison and, under the law, eligible to parole; and

Whereas, It further appears that said Van Vorce did, on or about the first of December, 1914, make application to the Advisory Board in the Matter of Pardons for a parole, said board being empowered under the law to grant paroles to certain convicted prisoners confined in the various state prisons; and

Whereas, In the official report of the meeting of said board, held on December 11, 1914, there appears a statement to the effect that the application of said Van Vorce, for parole, was considered and that the said board was favorably impressed with said Van Vorce and would undoubtedly recommend that his application be granted upon the expiration of his minimum sentence; and

Whereas, On December 28, following, Neta Van Vorce, wife of said Merle Van Vorce, made public certain charges against Rev. E. H. Lougher, at that time chaplain of said Jackson prison, and said Lougher resigned from said chaplaincy while said charges were pending; and

Whereas, There is a general feeling among the people of the state that said charges preferred against said Lougher by Mrs. Van Vorce may have influenced the actions of said Advisory Board in the Matter of Pardons in the matter of the parole of said Merle Van Vorce; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Committee on State Prison at Jackson of the House of Representatives be, and they hereby are, authorized to make a thorough investigation of all matters connected with, or which they may deem bearing upon, the application of said Merle Van Vorce for parole, and to this end they are hereby given full power and authority to administer oaths, to examine any and all persons deemed proper by said committee, to issue subpoenas and compel the attendance of witnesses, and the production of books of record, papers and documents relating to said case; and be it further

Resolved, That said committee is hereby authorized to employ competent stenographic and other assistance and to incur such other and

further expenses as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this resolution; and be it further

Resolved, That said committee report its findings, together with its recommendations in the matter, to this House at the earliest possible time.

The question being on the adoption of the resolutions,
After debate

Mr. Flowers moved that the resolutions be made a Special Order for tomorrow at 2:30 o'clock p. m.

On this motion Mr. Sheridan Ford demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was not seconded.

The question being on the motion made by Mr. Flowers,

The motion prevailed, and the resolutions were made a Special Order for tomorrow at 2:30 o'clock p. m.

Mr. Clarence J. Reed made written request for the printing of
House bill No. 23, entitled

A bill to provide for the payment of salaries to the sheriff, undersheriff, county clerk, county treasurer, register of deeds, prosecuting attorney, and the deputies and assistants of said officers, in the several counties of this State; to provide for the collection of fees and the payment thereof by said officers into the county treasury, and to prescribe penalties for the violation of this act.

The request was referred to the Committee on Printing.

Mr. Hoffman made written request for the printing of
House bill No. 24, entitled

A bill to amend sections 10, 11, 12, 13 and 16 of chapter 81 of the Revised Statutes of 1846, entitled "Fraudulent conveyances and contracts relative to personal property," being sections 9523, 9524, 9525, 9526 and 9529 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, said section 9523 being last amended by Act No. 332 of the Public Acts of 1907.

The request was referred to the Committee on Printing.

Mr. Culver made written request for the printing of
House bill No. 46, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1, 9, 10, 11, 12 and 13 of chapter 5 of Act No. 281 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to revise, consolidate and add to the laws relating to the establishment, opening, improvement, maintenance and use of the public highways and private roads; the condemnation of property and gravel therefor; the building, repairing and preservation of bridges; setting and protecting shade trees. drainage, cutting weeds and brush within this state and providing for the election, and defining the powers, duties and compensation of state, county, township and district highway officials," approved June 2, 1909.

The request was referred to the Committee on Printing.

Mr. Schmidt moved that the House adjourn.

The motion prevailed, the time being 2:55 o'clock p. m.

The Speaker declared the House adjourned until tomorrow at 2:00 o'clock p. m.

CHARLES S. PIERCE,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.

FOURTEENTH DAY.

Lansing, Wednesday, January 27.

2 o'clock p. m.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

Religious exercises were conducted by Rev. William F. Jerome, of St. Peter's Episcopal Church, of Hillsdale.

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk, who announced that a quorum was present.

Messrs. Chapin, Gayde, McGraw, Oakley, Rogers, Sly and Newel Smith were absent with leave.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

Mr. Lewis presented

Petition No. 31.

Petition of W. S. Beach and 71 other citizens of Van Buren county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 9, relative to Mutual Telephone Companies.

Petition No. 32.

Petition of A. Gaynor and 58 other citizens of Van Buren county, making the same request.

Petition No. 33.

Petition of Wm. R. Moore and 46 other members of the Linton-Baker Telephone Company of Berlamont, Van Buren county, making the same request.

And

Petition No. 34.

Petition of C. M. Van Riper and 31 other citizens of Van Buren county, making the same request.

The petitions were referred to the Committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. Amon presented

Petition No. 35.

Petition of D. F. Kern and 42 other citizens of Mecosta county, in favor of the present deer hunting law.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on State Affairs, by Mr. James D. Jerome, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 7, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of Act No. 49, of the Public Acts of 1885, entitled "An act for the relief of purchasers and settlers on swamp land, and to repeal Act No. 166, Session Laws of 1855 and Act No. 173, Session Laws of 1867, the same being sections 5386 and 5387, Howell's Annotated Statutes," now section 1494, of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Printing, by Mr. H. A. VanAntwerp, Chairman, reported

The written request of Mr. Koehler for the printing of

House bill No. 8, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1 and 2 of Act No. 91, of the Session Laws of 1839, entitled "An act to provide for the recording of town plats, and for vacating the same in certain cases," being compiler's sections 3372 and 3373 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as last amended by Act No. 297 of the Public Acts of 1913.

With the recommendation that the request be granted.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the recommendation of the committee,

The recommendation was concurred in, and the bill ordered printed.

The Committee on Printing, by Mr. H. A. VanAntwerp, Chairman, reported

The written request of Mr. Oakley for the printing of

House bill No. 10, entitled

A bill to require certain vehicles to carry lights at night on public highways and bridges of this State.

With the recommendation that the request be granted.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the recommendation of the committee,

The recommendation was concurred in, and the bill ordered printed.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM STATE OFFICERS.

The Speaker laid before the House a communication from the Attorney General, which was read by the Clerk.

Attorney General's Office.
Lansing, January 25, 1915.

Hon. Charles S. Pierce,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.

Dear Sir:—You have recently transmitted to this department a copy of Senate concurrent resolution No. 8, by the provisions of which my opinion is requested upon certain questions arising under section 30 of article V of the State constitution. This section provides:

“The legislature shall pass no local or special act in any case where a general act can be made applicable, and whether a general act can be made applicable shall be a judicial question. No local or special act shall take effect until approved by a majority of the electors voting thereon in the district to be affected.”

I shall discuss the different inquiries presented in the order in which they are stated in the concurrent resolution.

(1) “Are acts which regulate or prohibit the taking of fish or game in certain specific localities general or special acts?” Any legislative measure that by its terms is necessarily limited to a portion of the territory to which it might apply is, generally speaking, to be deemed a local act. It has been the holding of this department for some time past and it is my opinion now that an act relative to the taking of fish or game in a specified locality, such locality being less than the legislative jurisdiction, must be construed to be local within the meaning of the section of the constitution above quoted. Stated somewhat differently, an act designed to regulate or prohibit the taking of fish in a designated lake or river, or in a river with the tributaries thereof, is a local act.

(2) “Can a local act be amended or repealed in any case without a referendum to the electors in the district to be affected?” I believe that any measure amending or expressly repealing a local act must itself be considered to be a local act. As such it is subject to the constitutional provision and cannot become operative in any case without being submitted to the electors in the district to be affected and ratified thereby.

(3) “Can a local act be repealed with a referendum to the electors in the district to be affected?” Upon this proposition, it has been the holding of this department that a local measure may be repealed in the manner suggested by the inquiry. Undoubtedly one purpose underlying the incorporation of section 30 in article V of the constitution was the promotion of uniformity in legislation. The repeal of existing local acts is, of course, in harmony with that purpose. Furthermore, it can scarcely be presumed, in my opinion, that it was the intention of the framers of the constitution to prohibit absolutely the repeal of local acts.

(4) “Can a local act be amended with a referendum to the electors in the district to be affected?” It is my view that an amendment to a local act must stand upon the same basis as do local acts in the first instance. The inhibition of the section of the constitution above quoted

to the effect that a local or special act shall not be passed in any instance where a general act can be made applicable, must be construed to apply to measures having for their purpose the amendment of local statutes. Whether or not, therefore, a local act can be amended in a given instance must depend upon the answer to the question: May a general law, that is, one applicable in terms to the entire state, be made to apply? If the subject matter is such that the situation may be reached by the general measure, then the local act is prohibited even though such local act be an amendment to a prior existing statute. Otherwise, if no law of general application can be enacted in a given instance, then a local act may be passed with a referendum providing for its submission to the electors in the district to be affected. It will be noted that no absolute rule can be laid down upon this matter, but rather each individual case that may arise must stand upon its own merits and be determined in accordance with the principles suggested.

(5) "When a local act is passed, amended or repealed by the legislature and referred to the electors in the district to be affected, in accordance with section 30 of article V of the constitution, and the extent of such district is not obviously certain, is there any general rule by which the district to be affected can be determined, or is it within the province of the legislature to determine in each case as to the district within which such referendum vote shall be taken?" Generally speaking, I am impressed that the different municipalities and political subdivisions concerned are "the district to be affected" by the terms of a local act. It is perhaps impossible to suggest any definition of this phrase that would apply in all cases. I think that it can be said, however, that the legislative declaration in each instance as to the territory that should be considered, the district affected, would be entitled to every presumption and would undoubtedly be upheld by the courts unless arbitrary and not based upon sufficient reasons. Perhaps the only thing that can be said of general application in answer to this question is that the words used in the constitutional provision shall be given their usual meaning and that in each case the district affected by a local act is the township, village or city, or combination of townships, villages and cities, in which the measure will operate if adopted by the electors.

(6) "If an act relating to the taking of fish or game in a certain specified lake or other locality is a local act, what rule, if any, can be applied to determine the district to be affected?" The answer to this question has been suggested by what has been said above. In accordance therewith, an act relating to the taking of fish in a certain lake must, I believe, be considered to affect the different townships, villages or cities within the limits of which such lake is situated. Likewise in the case of a measure regulating the taking of fish in the waters of a specified river, the district affected is the townships, villages and cities, portions of the territory of which are crossed by such river. Measures relating to the taking of game ordinarily refer in terms to political subdivisions of the state where the same shall apply and thus indicate expressly the district that shall be affected.

Trusting that this will indicate to the legislature my views with reference to the general principles involved, I am,

Very respectfully,

GRANT FELLOWS,
Attorney General.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Croll introduced

House bill No. 68, entitled

A bill to authorize the common council of cities of the fourth class to provide by ordinance for the establishment of central places of registration of the electors of said city.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on City Corporations.

Mr. Koehler introduced

House bill No. 69, entitled

A bill to apportion anew the representatives in the State Legislature among the several counties and districts of this State.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Apportionment.

Mr. Rice introduced

House bill No. 70, entitled

A bill to provide for the organization, operation and supervision of fire insurance rate making bureaus; to provide for a review of any rates fixed by any such bureau for fire insurance upon property in this State; to prohibit discrimination in such rates, and to regulate all agreements between fire insurance companies or their agents affecting such rates.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Insurance.

Mr. Follett introduced

House bill No. 71, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of Act No. 266 of the Public Acts of 1895, entitled "An act relative to bonds and other obligations, with surety or sureties, and the acceptance as surety thereon of companies qualified to act as such; and the release of such surety; and the safe depositing of assets for which such surety may be liable; and to the charging by fiduciaries of the expense of procuring sureties; and repealing all laws in conflict therewith," as amended by Act No. 106 of the Public Acts of 1897, the same being Compiler's Section 5196 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by Act No. 321 of the Public Acts of 1907; to permit certain bonding companies to write liquor bonds.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Follett also introduced

House bill No. 72, entitled

A bill to require all coroners and justices of the peace conducting inquests over dead bodies to keep a docket and to enter therein all matters connected with such inquests.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Follett also introduced

House bill No. 73, entitled

A bill to amend section 12 of chapter 150 of the Revised Statutes of

1846, entitled "Of the fees of certain officers," being section 11,223 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, relative to fees of coroners in certain cases.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Hoffman introduced

House bill No. 74, entitled

A bill to amend Act 266 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to amend Act No. 283 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled 'An act to revise, consolidate, and add to the laws relating to the establishment, opening, improvement, maintenance, and use of the public highways and private roads; the condemnation of property and gravel therefor; the building, repairing and preservation of bridges; setting and protecting shade trees; drainage; cutting weeds and brush within this State, and providing for the election and defining the powers, duties and compensation of State, county, township and district highway officials,' approved June 2, 1909, by adding thereto a new chapter to be known as chapter 25, providing for the repair and improvement of highways by means of assessment of statute labor; for the election of overseers of highways; prescribing the qualifications and duties thereof; providing for carrying the same into effect; and prescribing the conditions under which the same shall supersede all provisions inconsistent therewith; and enabling townships to adopt or repeal the provisions hereof, upon a referendum vote of a majority of the qualified voters voting thereon; providing for assessments for highway purposes; for the performance of labor on highways, and the commutation therefor; and to prescribe penalties, forfeitures, and general duties of overseers," approved June 8, 1913, by amending sections 20, 22, 30 and 39 of said chapter 25, being said sections of said Act No. 266, providing the payment by person assessed of one dollar fifty cents for each day of work that said person refused or neglected to work after due notice; providing an offset of one day of work against the assessment for each one dollar fifty cents collected in an action against the person assessed; providing a minimum width of road grade; and providing that each day of labor be estimated at one dollar and fifty cents in estimating all arrearages of labor.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Roads and Bridges.

Mr. Wolcott introduced

House bill No. 75, entitled

A bill providing for the security of depositors in the incorporated banks of Michigan; creating the bank depositors' guaranty fund of the State of Michigan, and providing regulations therefor and penalties for the violation thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. Frank A. Smith introduced

House bill No. 76, entitled

A bill to fix the salary of the chief clerk and assistant chief clerk in the auditor general's department.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Stevens introduced

House bill No. 77, entitled

A bill to prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquors within five miles of the boundary line or lines of the main campus of the University of Michigan, the Michigan Agricultural College, the State Normal College, the Central Michigan Normal School, the Northern State Normal School, and the Western State Normal School or the Michigan College of Mines.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Stevens also introduced

House bill No. 78, entitled

A bill to authorize the electors of any township, village or city to protest against the acceptance of the bonds offered by any individual, firm or corporation proposing to engage in the sale of liquors at retail, and to provide that whenever such protest shall have been filed, it shall be unlawful for such township board of such township, board of trustees, council, or common council of any village or city to accept such bonds.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Lewis introduced

House bill No. 79, entitled

A bill to prohibit the hunting of rabbits with ferrets and guinea pigs; exempting from its provisions farmers and fruit growers hunting on their own lands, and those townships wherein electors so decide by referendum; prescribing penalty for violation; and repealing Act No. 180 of the Public Acts of 1911, entitled "An act to prohibit the hunting of rabbits with ferrets or guinea pigs," and all other acts or parts of acts in contravention therewith.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Horticulture.

Mr. Wieland introduced

House bill No. 80, entitled

A bill to provide an appropriation for the Michigan School for the Blind for certain special purposes and for current expenses for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, and to provide a tax therefor.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Michigan School for the Blind.

SPECIAL ORDER.

2:30 o'clock p. m.

The Speaker announced that the hour had arrived for the Special Order, and laid before the House

House resolution No. 23.

Whereas, It is generally reported through the press and other sources that one Merle Van Vorce is at present an inmate of Jackson prison and, under the law, eligible to parole; and

Whereas, It further appears that said Van Vorce did, on or about the first of December, 1914, make application to the Advisory Board in the Matter of Pardons for a parole, said board being empowered under the law to grant paroles to certain convicted prisoners confined in the various State prisons; and

Whereas, In the official report of the meeting of said board, held on December 11, 1914, there appears a statement to the effect that the application of said Van Vorce, for parole, was considered and that the said board was favorably impressed with said Van Vorce and would undoubtedly recommend that his application be granted upon the expiration of his minimum sentence, and

Whereas, On December 28, following, Neta Van Vorce, wife of said Merle Van Vorce, made public certain charges against Rev. E. H. Lougher, at that time chaplain of said Jackson prison, and said Lougher resigned from said chaplaincy while said charges were pending; and

Whereas, There is a general feeling among the people of the State that said charges preferred against said Lougher by Mrs. Van Vorce may have influenced the actions of said Advisory Board in the Matter of Pardons in the matter of the parole of said Merle Van Vorce; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Committee on State Prison at Jackson of the House of Representatives be, and they hereby are, authorized to make a thorough investigation of all matters connected with, or which they may deem bearing upon, the application of said Merle Van Vorce for parole, and to this end they are hereby given full power and authority to administer oaths, to examine any and all persons deemed proper by said committee, to issue subpoenas and compel the attendance of witnesses, and the production of books of record, papers and documents relating to said case; and be it further

Resolved, That said committee is hereby authorized to employ competent stenographic and other assistance and to incur such other and further expenses as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this resolution; and be it further

Resolved, That said committee report its finding, together with its recommendations in the matter, to this House at the earliest possible time.

The question being on the adoption of the resolutions,

After debate,

Mr. Sheridan Ford demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was seconded.

The resolutions offered by Mr. Sheridan Ford then did not prevail, a majority of all the members present not voting therefor by yeas and nays as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Ashley
Culver
Ford, Sheridan
Hoffman

Mr. Jerome, J. D.
Jones
Koehler
Lamphere

Mr. Palmer
Reed, C. J.
Robertson
Stevenson

Mr. Tufts
Wood
Woodruff

NAYS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Gettel	Mr. Nank	Mr. Smith, S. J.
Anderson	Green	Nelson	Snow
Averill	Griggs	O'Brien	Sours
Biggerstaff	Haviland	Olmsted	Stevens
Bosch	Henry	Ormsbee	Sutton
Clark	Hinkley	Penney	Symonds
Cowan	Hopkins	Person	Van Antwerp
Croll	Hulse	Petermann	Vine
Daigneau	Jerome, Wm. F.	Place	Ward
Daprato	Keen	Pray	Warner
De Boer	Kemmerling	Quintel	Watkins
Edwards	Kooyers	Read, Thos.	Weissert
Empson	Leland	Rice	Wells
Evens	Lewis	Root	Whiteley
Ewing	McMillan	Ross	Wieland
Flowers	Martin	Schmidt	Wiley
Follett	Matthews	Sherman	Wolcott
Foote	Miller	Shields	Wright
Ford, R. L.	Moore	Smith, F. A.	Speaker
Francis			

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Mr. Follett having reserved the right to explain his vote, sent to the Clerk's desk the following explanation:

It seems to me, after reading the letters from the Judge of the Sixth Judicial Circuit, the Prosecuting Attorney, and the Sheriff of Oakland county, on file with the Pardon Board, that there is no just reason for criticising the action of said Board. In fact I can not see how the Board could have done any different than it did.

Mr. Evens moved that the members of the Committee on Ionia State Hospital be excused from tomorrow's session.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Petermann moved that the Committee on General Taxation be excused for the balance of the week.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Watkins moved that the Committee on Michigan Reformatory be excused for the balance of the week.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Snow moved that an indefinite leave of absence be granted the members of the Committee on State Sanatorium after today's session.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Flowers announced the death, at Detroit, today, of Representative Homer McGraw of Wayne county.

By unanimous consent

Mr. Flowers moved that a committee of three members of the House be appointed to draft suitable resolutions in memory of the late Representative McGraw; also that a committee of five members of the House be appointed to attend the funeral to be held in the city of Detroit on Friday, January 29th, at 2 o'clock p. m.

The motion prevailed, by a unanimous rising vote.

Mr. Flowers moved that, as a further mark of respect to the memory of the late Representative McGraw, the House do now adjourn.

The motion prevailed, the time being 3:15 o'clock p. m.

The Speaker declared the House adjourned until tomorrow at 2 o'clock p. m.

CHARLES S. PIERCE.

Clerk of the House of Representatives.

FIFTEENTH DAY.

Lansing, Thursday, January 28.

2:00 o'clock p. m.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

Religious exercises were conducted by Rev. Horace Cady Wilson, of the First Presbyterian church, of Lansing.

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk, who announced that a quorum was present.

Messrs. Amon, Clark, Evens, Ewing, Francis, Keen, McMillan, Petermann, Quintel, Rice, Root, Sherman, Snow, Vine, Watkins and Whiteley were absent with leave.

Mr. Martz was absent without leave.

Mr. Jones moved that Mr. Martz be excused from today's session. The motion prevailed.

Mr. Warner asked and obtained a leave of absence from tomorrow's session.

Mr. Koehler asked and obtained a leave of absence for the members from Wayne county from tomorrow's session.

Mr. Wiley moved that the members of the Committee on Western State Normal School be excused from the balance of today's and from tomorrow's session.

Mr. Edwards moved that the members of the Committee on Michigan Home and Training School be excused from tomorrow's session.

Mr. Hoffman moved that the members of the Committee on State Industrial Home for Girls be excused from tomorrow's session.

Mr. Hinkley asked and obtained a leave of absence from tomorrow's session.

Mr. Jones asked and obtained a leave of absence from next Monday's session.

Mr. Clarence J. Reed asked and obtained a leave of absence from next Monday's session.

Mr. Sly asked and obtained a leave of absence until next Tuesday's session.

The Speaker announced as a committee from the House to attend the funeral of the late Representative McGraw, Messrs. Stevenson, Sheridan Ford, Nank, Griggs and Kemmerling, and authorized Assistant Sergeant-at-arms Harry McGrane to accompany said committee, and further, that said committee were excused from tomorrow's session.

The Speaker announced as a special committee to draft resolutions on the death of the late Representative Homer McGraw, Messrs. Flowers, William F. Jerome and Petermann.

The Speaker announced the appointment of Arthur Knapp of Sturgis, Michigan, as an assistant coat room keeper in place of Isadore Snyder, resigned, and that he had assumed his duties yesterday.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM STATE OFFICERS.

State Board of Health,
Lansing, Jan. 28, 1915.

The Hon., Chas. W. Smith, Speaker,
House of Representatives,
Lansing, Michigan.

Sir:—We have the honor to call your attention to the advance report of the Commission created under Act 150, P. A. 1913, and commonly known as the "Eugenics Commission," consisting of Dr. A. M. Barrett, Supt. of State Psychopathic Hospital, Ann Arbor, chairman; Dr. J. L. Burkhart, Sec'y. State Board of Health, secretary; Mr. Fred L. Keeler, Supt. of Public Instruction; Mr. M. T. Murray, Sec'y. State Board of Corrections and Charities.

Dr. Barrett, chairman of the Commission, has a prepared address, illustrated by lantern slides, showing some very interesting charts and diagrams, with the statistical facts gleaned by the Commission, relative to the causes of insanity, feeble-mindedness, epilepsy and degeneracy, showing plainly that the foregoing named disorders are on the increase and are of sufficient menace to demand the immediate and earnest attention of the people of this State.

At a recent meeting of the Joint Board of Trustees of the State Hospitals, held at Eloise, Jan. 21, 1915, Dr. Barrett gave the address referred to, which was very highly commended by the able and experienced

medical superintendents of State hospitals, trustees and visiting physicians, and it was the unanimous opinion of all present that the members of the Michigan Legislature, who will be asked to consider very important legislation along these lines, should be given the opportunity to hear, from Dr. Barrett, the very valuable information which he is in possession of.

We therefore request that you call the attention of the members of the State hospitals, public health and other committees, as well as the entire membership of the House, to the fact that Dr. Barrett has been secured to appear before them Wednesday evening, Feb. 3, at 7:30 in Representative Hall. Preparations will be made to show Dr. Barrett's figures and diagrams on canvass and it is desired that all members of the Legislature shall attend and take active part in an informal discussion of the question presented.

Trusting that the foregoing will meet your approval, we remain
Very respectfully,

JASON E. HAMMOND,
Chairman Legislative Com., Joint
Board, State Hospital Trustees.
JOHN L. BURKHART,
Sec'y. and Ex. Officer.

Mr. Edwards moved that the use of the Representative Hall be granted to the Joint Board of State Hospital Trustees, Wednesday evening, February 3rd, at 7:30 o'clock.

The motion prevailed.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY CLERK OF PRINTING OF BILLS.

The Clerk announced that the following named bill had been printed and placed upon the files of the members today, January 28:

Senate bill 35, (file No. 28), entitled

A bill making appropriations for the Traverse City State Hospital for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1915, for dining-room, industrial building, fire protection at farm barns, and other special purposes, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

Mr. McMillan presented

Petition No. 36.

Petition of Philo Wakeford and 44 other citizens of Charlevoix county in favor of the present deer hunting law.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Ward presented

Petition No. 37.

Petition of E. L. Hegler and 41 other citizens of Saginaw county on the same subject.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Olmsted presented
Petition No. 38.

Resolutions of the Drain Commissioners of the State asking that the Legislature appropriate an adequate sum of money to expedite and bring to a conclusion a topographical survey of the State to be handled by the Geological department.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on Geological Survey.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Judiciary, by Mr. Flowers, Chairman, reported
House bill No. 65, entitled

A bill to amend the title, and to add a new section to stand as section 2, of Act No. 311, of the Public Acts of 1905, entitled "An act relative to the cost of bonds to be furnished by State officers," as last amended by Act No. 82 of the Public Acts of 1913.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Labor, by Mr. Oakley, Chairman, reported
House bill No. 41, entitled

A bill to provide for the inspection of steam boilers by the Commissioner of Labor in certain cases; fixing his powers and duties with respect thereto, and to provide a penalty for violation of the provisions hereof.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Michigan Soldiers' Home, by Mr. Place, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 67, entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the Michigan Soldiers' Home for building and special purposes and for the refunding of excess pension money, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1916, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The Committee on Printing, by Mr. VanAntwerp, Chairman, reported
The written request of Mr. Jones for the printing of
House bill No. 41, entitled

A bill to provide for the inspection of steam boilers by the Commissioner of Labor in certain cases; fixing his power and duties with respect thereto, and to provide a penalty for violation of the provisions hereof.

With the recommendation that the request be granted.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the recommendation of the committee,

The recommendation was concurred in, and the bill ordered printed.

The Committee on Printing, by Mr. VanAntwerp, Chairman, reported
The written request of Mr. Koehler for the printing of
House bill No. 5, entitled

A bill to provide for the incorporation of cremation companies and associations.

With the recommendation that the request be granted.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the recommendation of the committee,

The recommendation was concurred in, and the bill ordered printed.

The Committee on Printing, by Mr. VanAntwerp, Chairman, reported
The written request of Mr. Culver for the printing of
House bill No. 46, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1, 9, 10, 11, 12 and 13 of chapter 5 of Act No. No. 281 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to revise, consolidate and add to the laws relating to the establishment, opening, improvement, maintenance and use of the public highways and private roads; the condemnation of property and gravel therefor; the building, repairing and preservation of bridges; setting and protecting shade trees, drainage, cutting weeds and brush within this State, and providing for the election and defining the powers, duties and compensation of State, county, township and district highway officials," approved June 2, 1909.

With the recommendation that the request be granted.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the recommendation of the committee,

The recommendation was concurred in, and the bill ordered printed.

The Committee on Printing, by Mr. VanAntwerp, Chairman, reported
The written request of Mr. Reed for the printing of
House bill No. 23, entitled

A bill to provide for the payment of salaries to the sheriff, undersheriff, county clerk, county treasurer, register of deeds, prosecuting attorney, and the deputies and assistants of said officers, in the several counties of this State; to provide for the collection of fees and the payment thereof by said officers into the county treasury, and to prescribe penalties for the violation of this act.

With the recommendation that the request be granted.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the recommendation of the committee,

The recommendation was concurred in, and the bill ordered printed.

The Committee on Printing, by Mr. VanAntwerp, Chairman, reported
The written request of Mr. Hoffman for the printing of
House bill No. 24, entitled

A bill to amend sections 10, 11, 12, 13 and 16 of chapter 81 of the

Revised Statutes of 1846, entitled "Fraudulent conveyances and contracts relative to personal property," being sections 9523, 9524, 9525, 9526 and 9529 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, said section 9523 being last amended by Act No. 332 of the Public Acts of 1907.

With the recommendation that the request be granted.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the recommendation of the committee,

The recommendation was concurred in, and the bill ordered printed.

The Committee on Rules and Joint Rules, by Mr. Warner, Chairman, reported

Senate concurrent resolution No. 2.

Rule 1. Each house shall transmit to the other all papers on which any bill or resolution shall be founded.

Rule 2. When a bill or resolution which shall have passed one house is rejected in the other, notice thereof shall be given to the house in which the same may have been passed.

Rule 3. Messages from one house to the other shall be communicated by the Secretary of the Senate and Clerk of the House of Representatives, unless the house transmitting the message shall especially direct otherwise.

Rule 4. It shall be in the power of either house to amend any amendment made by the other to any bill or resolution.

Rule 5. In every case of a difference between the two houses upon any subject of legislation, the house wherein the difference arises shall advise the other house of the disagreement. Such other house shall then either recede from its position relative to the subject under consideration or insist thereon and ask for a conference. Upon granting the request for a conference the house granting the request shall name three of its members as conferees on its part at said conference, and shall notify the other house of its action. Such other house shall thereupon name three of its members as conferees on its part at said conference. The bill under consideration shall be delivered to the conferees on the part of the house in which it originated. The conferees on the part of the two houses shall meet and consider the matters of difference between the two houses. In case the conferees of the two houses are unable to agree they shall report that fact to both houses, and the bill shall accompany the report to the house in which it originated. The situation shall then be the same as if no conference had been requested. In case of an agreement the conferees of the two houses shall make detailed report thereof, which report shall be signed by at least two of the conferees of each house, and the report, together with the papers in the case, shall be submitted to the house in which the bill originated. The vote shall be on the adoption of the conference report and if the question shall be decided in the affirmative, the bill, together with the conference report, shall be transmitted to such other house with the information that the report has been adopted. If the question be decided in the negative the other house shall be notified thereof, and the situation shall then be the same as if no conference had been requested. When (the conference report having been adopted in one house) the report with the papers in the case shall have been transmitted to the

other house, the question in such other house, shall be on the adoption of the conference report. If the question shall be decided in the affirmative the bill shall be returned to the house in which it originated with the information that the other house has concurred in the adoption of the conference report and the bill shall then be referred for enrollment, printing and presentation to the Governor. If the question shall be decided in the negative, the situation shall then be the same as if no conference had been requested. In either house, the question on the adoption of the conference report shall not be subject to amendment or division.

Rule 6. It shall be in order for either house to recede from any subject matter of difference existing between the two houses at any time previous to a conference, whether the papers on which such difference has arisen are before the house receding, formally or informally. A majority shall govern, except in cases where two-thirds are required by the constitution; and the question, having been put and lost, shall not be again put the same day. The consideration thereof in other respects shall be regulated by the rules of the respective houses.

Rule 7. In case each house adheres to its disagreement, the bill which is the subject of difference shall be deemed lost, and shall not be again revived during the same session in either house, unless by consent of three-fourths of the members present of the house reviving it.

Rule 8. The same bill shall not amend or repeal more than one act of incorporation; nor shall the same bill appropriate public money or property to more than one local or private purpose. Any bill appropriating moneys for the payment of the officers of the government shall be confined to that purpose exclusively.

Rule 9. Whenever there shall be an election of any officer in joint convention the result shall be certified by the president of the senate and the speaker of the house of representatives; shall be announced by the presiding officers to their respective houses; shall be entered on the journal of each; and shall be communicated to the governor by the secretary of the senate and the clerk of the house of representatives.

Rule 10. Whenever both houses, by the constitutional vote, direct that any bill shall take effect immediately, a statement shall be added thereto at the enrollment of the bill in words to this effect: "This act is ordered to take immediate effect."

Rule 11. Proposals for amendments to the constitution shall be by joint resolution which in each house shall take the same course as a bill.

Rule 12. Whenever a bill shall have been passed by both houses of the legislature, the objection of the governor to the contrary notwithstanding, or whenever a joint resolution proposing an amendment to the constitution shall have been agreed to by both houses in the manner prescribed by the constitution, such bill or such joint resolution shall be duly enrolled and signed by the presiding officers of both houses. The secretary of the senate and the clerk of the house shall then each attach a certificate to such enrolled copy, to the effect that the same has been passed or agreed to as the case may be by the senate and house respectively, in accordance with the provisions of the constitution, and shall forthwith file the same in the office of the secretary of state.

Rule 13. The title of every bill to amend or repeal existing laws passed prior to the date of the last general compilation shall refer to

the chapter of the compilation containing such act, and to the sections proposed to be amended or repealed. When bills to amend existing laws are printed, words added to such laws shall be enclosed in brackets; the omission of words shall be indicated by stars; and where the proposed alteration is of such character that it cannot readily be indicated in either of the foregoing ways, it shall be indicated by printing in italics the parts differing from the existing law.

Rule 14. The legislative postoffice shall be kept open every week day from 8 o'clock a. m. to 9 o'clock p. m., and on each Sunday from 12 o'clock noon until 1 o'clock p. m., and the mail shall be delivered to the Lansing postoffice in time for the outgoing trains on Sunday evenings.

With the recommendation that the resolution be concurred in.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the recommendation of the committee,

The recommendation was concurred in and the joint rules adopted.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Culver introduced

House bill No. 81, entitled

A bill to repeal Act No. 286 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to provide for the appointment of a commission to prepare and report bills for the revision and consolidation of the general laws of this State, relating to civil practice and procedure, domestic relations, and transactions and other general laws, and to prescribe their duties and provide their compensation," approved May 8, 1913.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Koehler introduced

House bill No. 82, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 and section 9 of Act No. 294 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to provide for the licensing and regulating of the business of transient merchants; to prevent the fraudulent sale of goods by such transient merchants; to provide a lien on the goods of such transient merchants for the license fees prescribed, and to provide penalties for the violation thereof."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Stevens introduced

House bill No. 83, entitled

A bill to amend section 9 of article 2 of Act No. 198 of the Session Laws of 1873, entitled "An act to revise the laws providing for the incorporation of the railroad, bridge and tunnel companies, and to regulate the running and management and to fix the duties and liabilities of all railroad, bridge, tunnel and other corporation owning or operating any railroad, bridge or tunnel within this State," as amended, being section 6234 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by Act 276 of the Public Acts of 1911.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Wright introduced

House bill No. 84, entitled

A bill making appropriation for the Michigan State Normal College for current expenses for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Normal College.

Mr. Henry introduced

House bill No. 85, entitled

A bill to provide for the establishment and maintenance, under the direction of the State Board of Fish Commissioners, of a fish hatchery in the township of Bedford, Calhoun county, for the propagation and cultivation of certain fish.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Fish and Fisheries.

Mr. Wells introduced

House bill No. 86, entitled

A bill to establish a department of foods and markets, prescribing the powers and duties thereof, and making an appropriation therefor.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Mr. Ross introduced

House bill No. 87, entitled

A bill making appropriations for the State Tuberculosis Sanatorium for current expenses and for building and special purposes for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Sanatorium.

Mr. Ross also introduced

House bill No. 88, entitled

A bill to provide for a deficiency appropriation for the State Tuberculosis Sanatorium.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Sanatorium.

Mr. Ashley introduced

House joint resolution No. 1.

Joint resolution proposing an amendment to section 29 of article V of the Constitution, granting the Legislature power to enact laws to govern the hours and conditions under which all persons may be employed.

The joint resolution was referred to the Committee on Revision and Amendment of the Constitution.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Wolcott offered the following resolution:

House concurrent resolution No. 8.

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That there is hereby acknowledged the kind courtesy of the Reo Motor Car Co. in taking the members of both Houses to and from their plant, and exhibiting to them their advanced process of manufacturing motor cars.

The Speaker announced that under Rule 50 the resolution would lie over one day.

Mr. Wolcott moved that Rule 50 be suspended.

The motion prevailed, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

The resolution was adopted.

Mr. Lewis made written request for the printing of House bill No. 15, entitled

A bill to provide for the assessment and the collection of a specific annual tax upon the class of credits founded upon and evidenced by mortgages and liens upon real property, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in contravention thereto.

The request was referred to the Committee on Printing.

Mr. Koehler made written request for the printing of House bill No. 69.

A bill to apportion anew the representatives in the State Legislature among the several counties and districts of this State.

The request was referred to the Committee on Printing.

Mr. Oakley made written request for the printing of House bill No. 58, entitled

A bill relating to the rights, powers and disabilities of aliens and of certain companies, associations and corporations, with respect to property in this State, providing for escheats in certain cases, prescribing the procedure therein, and repealing all acts or parts of acts inconsistent or in conflict therewith.

Also

House bill No. 61, entitled

A bill to promote the safety of travelers and employes upon the railroads operating in the State of Michigan, by limiting the length of trains operated by common carriers, and providing a penalty for the violation of this act.

The requests were referred to the Committee on Printing.

Mr. Newel Smith made written request for the printing of House bill No. 55, entitled

A bill to provide for the registration, identification, and regulation of motor vehicles operated upon the public highways of this State, and of the operators of such vehicles, and to provide for levying specific taxes upon such vehicles so operated, and registering certain operators thereof, and to provide for the disposition of such funds, and to provide for

other means of taxation of motor vehicles so operated, and to repeal all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith or contrary hereto.

The request was referred to the Committee on Printing.

Mr. Croll moved that when the House adjourns tomorrow it stand adjourned until Monday at 9 o'clock p. m.

Mr. Stevens moved that when the House adjourns today it stand adjourned until tomorrow at 9 o'clock a. m.

Mr. Averill moved that the House adjourn.

The motion prevailed, the time being 2:40 o'clock p. m.

The Speaker declared the House adjourned until tomorrow at 9:00 o'clock a. m.

CHARLES S. PIERCE,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.

SIXTEENTH DAY.

Lansing, Friday, January 29.

9 o'clock a. m.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk, who announced that a quorum was not present.

Messrs. Ashley, Clark, Culver, Edwards, Ewing, Flowers, Sheridan Ford, Francis, Gayde, Griggs, Henry, Hinkley, Hoffman, James D. Jerome, Keen, Kemmerling, Koehler, Lamphere, McMillan, Martz, Miller, Nank, Ormsbee, Palmer, Petermann, Thomas Read, Clarence J. Reed, Rice, Schmidt, Sherman, Sly, Newel Smith, Snow, Stevenson, Symonds, Ward, Warner, Watkins, Wells, Whiteley, Wiley and Woodruff were absent with leave.

Messrs. Bosch, Cowan, DeBoer, Foote, Haviland, Lewis, Nelson, Robertson, Stevens, Weissert and Wieland were absent without leave.

Mr. William F. Jerome moved that the House adjourn.

The motion prevailed, the time being 9:05 o'clock a. m.

The Speaker declared the House adjourned until Monday at 9 o'clock p. m.

CHARLES S. PIERCE,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.

SEVENTEENTH DAY.

Lansing, Monday, February 1.

9:00 o'clock p. m.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

Religious exercises were conducted by Rev. A. D. Werden, of the South Baptist Church, of Lansing.

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk, who announced that a quorum was present.

Messrs. Jones, Clarence J. Reed, Rice, Sly and Snow were absent with leave.

Messrs. Amon, Bosch, Culver, DeBoer, Flowers, Sheridan Ford, Griggs, James D. Jerome, William F. Jerome, Kemmerling, Koehler, Lamphere, Martz, Nank, Ormsbee, Palmer, Place, Frank A. Smith, Newel Smith, Stevens, Stevenson, Vine, Warner. Weissert, Wieland, Wood, Woodruff and Wright were absent without leave.

Mr. Haviland moved that Mr. Nank be excused from today's and tomorrow's sessions.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Watkins moved that Mr. DeBoer be excused from today's session. The motion prevailed.

Mr. Henry moved that the other absentees without leave be excused from today's session.

The motion prevailed.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

Mr. Hulse presented
Petition No. 39.

Petition of W. Gamble and 49 other citizens of Clinton county, in favor of the present deer hunting law.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Lewis presented
Petition No. 40.

Petition of E. W. Doxey and 21 other citizens of Allegan county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 9, relative to Mutual Telephone Companies.

And

Petition No. 41.

Petition of George L. Burkhead and 14 other citizens of Allegan county, making the same request.

The petitions were referred to the Committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. Henry presented
Petition No. 42.

Protest of Bay Council No. 51, United Commercial Travelers of America, of Bay City, protesting against an increase in the passenger rates charged by the railroads of Michigan.

And

Petition No. 43.

Protest of Owosso Council No. 218 of the United Commercial Travelers of America, of Owosso, making the same protest.

The protests were referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Samuel J. Smith presented
Petition No. 44.

Petition of George V. Coffman and 65 other citizens of Cheboygan county, in favor of the present deer hunting law.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY CLERK OF PRINTING OF BILLS.

The Clerk announced that the following named bill had been printed and placed upon the files of the members, Wednesday, January 27:

Senate bill No. 37 (file No. 30), entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the State Highway Department for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1915, and providing a tax to meet the same.

The Clerk also announced that the following named bills had been printed and placed upon the files of the members, Friday, January 29:

Senate bill No. 36 (file No. 29), entitled

A bill to promote the safety of travelers and employes upon railroads operating in the State of Michigan by limiting the length of trains operated by common carriers, and providing a penalty for the violation of this act.

Senate bill No. 38 (file No. 31), entitled

A bill to amend sections 16, 24 and 43 of Act No. 281 of the Public

Acts of 1909, entitled "An act relative to the nomination of party candidates for public office and delegates to political conventions, to regulate primary elections and to prescribe penalties for violations of its provisions, and to provide for the printing upon election ballots of the names of candidates nominated under the terms of this act, and to repeal Act No. 4 of the Public Acts of the Extra Session of the year 1907, and all local primary election acts contravening the provisions of this act, except as in this act otherwise provided," approved June 2, 1909, as amended by Act No. 279 of the Public Acts of 1911, and Act No. 118 of the Public Acts of 1913; to prescribe the manner of enrollment and the form of ballot to be used thereunder.

Senate bill No. 39 (file No. 32), entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the Michigan Soldiers' Home for building and special purposes and for the refunding of excess pension money, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1916, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

Senate bill No. 40 (file No. 33), entitled

A bill making appropriations for the Central Michigan Normal School for current expenses, and for special purposes for said institution, for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

Senate bill No. 45 (file No. 38), entitled

A bill to provide for the establishment of agricultural courses in the public schools of the State, and to provide for the maintenance and control of the same.

Senate bill No. 46 (file No. 39), entitled

A bill making appropriations for current expenses and for special purposes for the Michigan College of Mines at Houghton, for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

The Clerk also announced that the following named bills had been printed and placed upon the files of the members, Saturday, January 30:

House bill No. 7 (file No. 2), entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of Act No. 49 of the Public Acts of 1885, entitled "An act for the relief of purchasers and settlers on swamp land, and to repeal Act No. 166, Session Laws of 1855, and Act No. 173, Session Laws of 1867, the same being sections 5386 and 5387, Howell's Annotated Statutes," now section 1494 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

House bill No. 10 (file No. 4), entitled

A bill to require certain vehicles to carry lights at night on public highways and bridges of this State.

Senate bill No. 41 (file No. 34), entitled

A bill to create the board of trustees of the Central Michigan Sanatorium, and to vest the management and control of said sanatorium in said board; and to repeal section 2 of Act No. 348 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to establish a State Sanatorium in the township of Jerome, county of Midland, State of Michigan, to be known as the Central Michigan Sanatorium, for the care and treatment of persons having tuberculosis, and making appropriations therefor, and to provide a tax to meet the same," approved May 13, 1913.

Senate bill No. 42 (file No. 35), entitled

A bill to prohibit the selling, giving, or furnishing of cigarettes to minors, and prohibiting the use of cigarettes by minors.

Senate bill No. 43 (file No. 36), entitled

A bill to prohibit the killing of deer in this State for a period of five years.

Senate bill No. 44 (file No. 37), entitled

A bill making appropriations for the State Industrial Home for Girls for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

Senate bill No. 50 (file No. 40), entitled

A bill making appropriations for the Michigan Reformatory for general repairs and special purposes for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1916, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

Senate bill No. 52 (file No. 41), entitled

A bill making appropriations for building, equipping and operating a fish hatchery on the shores of Saginaw bay, or Saginaw river, for hatching whitefish, wall-eyed pike, perch and other food fish, for planting in the inland and border waters of the State of Michigan, said fish hatchery to be built, equipped and operated by the State Board of Fish Commissioners, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

Senate bill No. 53 (file No. 42), entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of Act No. 108 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to license and regulate the hunting, pursuing and killing of wild animals or wild birds protected by the laws of this State, except deer and fur-bearing animals," approved April 23, 1913.

Senate bill No. 54 (file No. 43), entitled

A bill to amend sections 2, 3 and 8 of Act No. 71 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to provide for the examination, regulation, licensing and registration of optometrists practicing optometry, and for the punishment of offenders against this act," approved May 6, 1909, as last amended by Act No. 147 of the Public Acts of 1913.

Senate bill No. 55 (file No. 44), entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of Act No. 334 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to provide for the establishment, survey, improvement and maintenance of State reward trunk line highways, to provide for the payment of double State reward thereon, to define the duties of State, county, good roads district and township officers in regard thereto, and to appropriate funds to carry out the provisions thereof," approved May 13, 1913.

Senate bill No. 56 (file No. 45), entitled

A bill to amend section 31 of Act No. 313 of the Public Acts of 1887, entitled "An act to provide for the taxation and regulation of the business of manufacturing, selling, keeping for sale, furnishing, giving or delivering spirituous and intoxicating liquors, and malt, brewed or fermented liquors, and vinous liquors in this State, and to repeal all acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act," being compiler's section 5409 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

The Clerk also announced that the following named bills had been printed and placed upon the files of the members, today, February 1:

Senate bill No. 60 (file No. 46), entitled

A bill to provide for the improvement of a certain portion of highway in the county of Jackson known as the Cooper Street Road, from the city limits of the city of Jackson to the intersection thereof with Portage River, and to make an appropriation therefor.

Senate bill No. 64 (file No. 47), entitled

A bill to provide for a retirement fund for teachers in certain cases.

House bill No. 8 (file No. 3), entitled

A bill to amend sections 1 and 2 of Act No. 91 of the Session Laws of 1839, entitled "An act to provide for the recording of town plats, and for vacating the same in certain cases," being compiler's sections 3372 and 3373 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as last amended by Act No. 297 of the Public Acts of 1913.

House bill No. 65 (file No. 5), entitled

A bill to amend the title, and to add a new section to stand as section 2, of Act No. 311 of the Public Acts of 1905, entitled "An act relative to the cost of bonds to be furnished by State officers," as last amended by Act No. 82 of the Public Acts of 1913.

House bill No. 41 (file No. 6), entitled

A bill to provide for the inspection of steam boilers by the Commissioner of Labor in certain cases; fixing his powers and duties with respect thereto, and to provide a penalty for violation of the provisions hereof.

House bill No. 5 (file No. 7), entitled

A bill to provide for the incorporation of cremation companies and associations.

House bill No. 46 (file No. 8), entitled

A bill to amend sections 1, 9, 10, 11, 12 and 13 of chapter 5 of Act No. 281 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to revise, consolidate and add to the laws relating to the establishment, opening, improvement, maintenance and use of the public highways and private roads; the condemnation of property and gravel therefor; the building, repairing and preservation of bridges; setting and protecting shade trees, drainage, cutting weeds and brush within this State and providing for the election, and defining the powers, duties and compensation of State, county, township and district highway officials," approved June 2, 1909.

House bill No. 23 (file No. 9), entitled

A bill to provide for the payment of salaries to the sheriff, undersheriff, county clerk, county treasurer, register of deeds, prosecuting attorney and the deputies and assistants of said officers in the several counties of this State; to provide for the collection of fees and the payment thereof by said officers into the county treasury; and to prescribe penalties for the violation of this act.

House bill No. 24 (file No. 10), entitled

A bill to amend sections 10, 11, 12, 13 and 16 of chapter 81 of the Revised Statutes of 1846, entitled "Fraudulent conveyances and contracts relative to personal property," being sections 9523, 9524, 9525, 9526 and 9529 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, said section 9523 being last amended by Act No. 332 of the Public Acts of 1907.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Labor, by Mr. Oakley, Chairman, reported
House bill No. 43, entitled

A bill to amend section 17 of Act No. 285 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to provide for the creation of a Department of Labor; to prescribe its powers and duties; to regulate the employment of labor; to make an appropriation for the maintenance of such department, and to prescribe penalties for the violation of this act," approved June 2, 1909.

With the following amendment thereto, recommending that the amendment be concurred in and that when so amended the bill pass:

That the word "separate" be inserted after the letter "a" in line twenty-one of section 17.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the amendment to the bill recommended by the committee,

The amendment was adopted.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on City Corporations, by Mr. Averill, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 68, entitled

A bill to authorize the common council of cities of the fourth class to provide by ordinance for the establishment of central places of registration of the electors of said city.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Nelson introduced

House bill No. 89, entitled

A bill to amend section 25 of chapter 3 of Act No. 164 of the Public Acts of 1881, entitled "An act to revise and consolidate the laws relating to public instruction and primary schools, and to repeal all statutes and acts contravening the provisions of this act," being section 4691 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as last amended by Act No. 218 of the Public Acts of 1911.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Sutton introduced

House bill No. 90, entitled

A bill making an appropriation for a new library building and for a model school for the University of Michigan; for the erection, construction and furnishing of the same, and to provide a tax for such purposes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on University.

Mr. Ewing introduced

House bill No. 91, entitled

A bill making appropriation for the purchase of land for the use of the State House of Correction and Branch Prison in the Upper Peninsula, for farming purposes, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on State House of Correction and Branch of the State Prison in the Upper Peninsula.

Mr. Ewing also introduced

House bill No. 92, entitled

A bill making appropriations for the Northern State Normal School for current expenses and for special purposes for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, and provide a tax to meet the same.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Northern State Normal School.

Mr. Miller introduced

House bill No. 93, entitled

A bill to amend the title and sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 7 of Act No. 274 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to provide for the medical and surgical treatment of children who are afflicted with a curable malady or deformity and whose parents are unable to provide proper treatment; providing for the expenses thereof, and prescribing the jurisdiction of the probate court in such cases," approved May 8, 1913.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Public Health.

Mr. Petermann introduced

House bill No. 94, entitled

A bill to amend Act No. 146 of the Public Acts of 1879, entitled "An act to authorize boards of health of cities, villages and townships to furnish vaccination to the inhabitants thereof," approved February 15, 1879, being compiler's section 4465 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Public Health.

Mr. Pray introduced

House bill No. 95, entitled

A bill to amend section 8 of chapter 9 of Act No. 3 of the Public Acts of 1895, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation of villages within the State of Michigan and defining their powers and duties," being section 2859 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Village Corporations.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Wolcott made written request for the printing of

House bill No. 75, entitled

A bill providing for the security of depositors in the incorporated

banks of Michigan; creating the bank depositors' guaranty fund of the State of Michigan, and providing regulations therefor and penalties for the violation thereof.

The request was referred to the Committee on Printing.

Mr. Keen moved that the House adjourn.

The motion prevailed, the time being 9:30 o'clock p. m.

The Speaker declared the House adjourned until tomorrow at 2:00 o'clock p. m.

CHARLES S. PIERCE,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.

EIGHTEENTH DAY.

Lansing, Tuesday, February 2.

2:00 o'clock p. m.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

Religious exercises were conducted by Mr. E. D. Miller, Secretary of the Young Men's Christian Association, of Lansing.

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk, who announced that a quorum was present.

Messrs. Nank and Rice were absent with leave.

Messrs. Griggs, Martz, Pray, Stevens, Warner and Wieland were absent without leave.

**Mr. Croll moved that Mr. Wieland be excused from today's session.
The motion prevailed.**

Mr. Schmidt moved that all the other absentees without leave be excused from today's session.

The motion prevailed.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

Mr. Newel Smith presented

Petition No. 45.

Petition of Bert Wood and 70 other citizens of Gratiot county, in favor of the present deer hunting law.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Place presented

Petition No. 46.

Petition of Rose Jackson and 164 other citizens of St. Joseph county, relative to the same subject.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Ross presented

Petition No. 47.

Petition of F. J. Smith and 27 other citizens of Livingston county, relative to the same subject.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Keen presented

Petition No. 48.

Petition of Horace B. Field and 20 other citizens of Isabella county, relative to the same subject.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Amon presented

Petition No. 49.

Petition of George Eldred Jr., and 48 other citizens of Mecosta county, relative to the same subject.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Sours presented

Petition No. 50.

Petition of Grand Traverse County Humane Society for the enactment of legislation repealing the bounty for the killing of sparrows, and asking for legislation for the licensing of cats.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Moore presented

Petition No. 51.

Protests of North Rome Grange No. 735 of Onsted, against an increase mill tax for the Michigan Agricultural College.

The protest was referred to the Committee on Agricultural College.

Mr. Hinkley presented

Petition No. 52.

Petition of A. E. VanEvery and 18 other citizens of Petoskey, protesting against the passage of House bill No. 15, relative to increasing the tax rate on mortgages, and favoring the present mortgage tax law.

The petition was referred to the Committee on General Taxation.

Mr. Hoffman presented

Petition No. 53.

Petition of Arthur E. Wood and 91 other citizens of Detroit, favoring the passage of the following bills: House bill No. 15, relative to increasing the tax rates on mortgages, Senate bill No. 17 (file No. 17), relative to giving false checks, drafts or orders on banks, and Senate bill No. 18 (file No. 18), relative to the conditional sale of personal property sold for resale and the filing of contracts therefor.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. Frank A. Smith presented

Petition No. 54.

Petition of Earl Waite and 45 other citizens of Wexford-Lake District, favoring a law restricting the shooting of deer to bucks with horns.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Evens presented

Petition No. 55.

Petition of Jay C. Swan and 86 other citizens of Branch county, in favor of the present deer hunting law.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Village Corporations, by Mr. Lewis, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 62, entitled

A bill to amend section 18 of chapter 9 of Act No. 3 of the Public Acts of 1895, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation of villages within the State of Michigan, and defining their powers and duties," said section being section 2869 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Agriculture, by Mr. Schmidt, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 86, entitled

A bill to establish a department of foods and markets, prescribing the powers and duties thereof, and making an appropriation therefor.

With the following amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in and that when so amended the bill pass:

1. Amend by striking out the word "legislature" in line 1 of section 6 and inserting in lieu thereof the word "Governor."

2. Amend by striking out the word "July" in line 1 of section 14 and inserting in lieu thereof the word "September."

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the amendments to the bill recommended by the committee,

The amendments were adopted.

The bill was then referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The Committee on General Taxation, by Mr. Petermann, Chairman, reported House bill No. 66, entitled

A bill to amend section 84 of Act No. 206 of the Public Acts of 1893, being "An act to provide for the assessment of property and the levy and collection of taxes thereon, and for the collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied; making such taxes a lien on the lands taxed; establishing and continuing such lien; providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes; and for the inspection and disposition of land bid off to the State and not redeemed or purchased; and to repeal Act 200 of the Public Acts of 1891 and all other acts and parts of acts in any wise contravening any of the provisions of this act," being section 3907 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by Act 262 of the Public Acts of 1899.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on General Taxation, by Mr. Petermann, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 64, entitled

A bill to amend section 35 of Act No. 206 of the Public Acts of 1893, being "An act to provide for assessment of property and levy and collection of taxes thereon; and for collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied; making such taxes a lien on the lands taxed; establishing and continuing such lien; providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes; and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the State and not redeemed or purchased; and to repeal Act No. 200 of the Public Acts of 1891 and all other acts and parts of acts in any wise contravening any of the provisions of this act," being section 3858 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

Amend by inserting in line 13 of section 35 after the word "unpaid" the words "at the time such statement is made."

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the amendment to the bill recommended by the committee,

The amendment was adopted.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Croll introduced

House bill No. 96, entitled

A bill to amend chapter 4 of Act No. 283 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to revise, consolidate and add to the laws relating to the establishment, opening, improvement, maintenance and use of the public highways and private roads; the condemnation of property and gravel therefor; the building, repairing and preservation of bridges; setting and protecting shade trees; drainage; cutting weeds and brush within this State, and providing for the election and defining the powers, duties and compensation of State, county, township and district highway officials," approved June 2, 1909, by adding thereto one new section to stand as section 6a; to provide for decreasing or increasing the membership of boards of county road commissioners in counties operating under the county road system.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Roads and Bridges.

Mr. Place introduced

House bill No. 97, entitled

A bill to provide for an additional appropriation from the general fund in the State treasury for the purpose of carrying into effect the terms

of Act No. 165 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to provide for the compilation and publication of a general alphabetical index of the publication 'A Record of Michigan Soldiers and Sailors in the War of the Rebellion, 1861 to 1865,' and for the distribution of such index and the distribution of the remaining volumes of said publication now on hand, in library sets, to public libraries for the convenient reference of the public; to make an appropriation therefor, and to provide a tax to meet the same," to provide the manner of payment thereof, and to provide a tax to meet said appropriation.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. Moore introduced

House bill No. 98, entitled

A bill to prevent unlawful discrimination in the purchase for resale or manufacture of wheat, oats, corn, rye, barley, clover seed, beans, hay or potatoes, and to provide a punishment for the same.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Mr. Biggerstaff introduced

House bill No. 99, entitled

A bill making appropriations for building and special purposes at the Kalamazoo State Hospital for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1916, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Kalamazoo State Hospital.

Mr. Martin introduced

House bill No. 100, entitled

A bill to amend section 7 of chapter 5 of Act No. 283 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to revise, consolidate and add to the laws, relating to the establishment, opening, improvement, maintenance and use of the public highways and private roads; the condemnation of property and gravel therefor; the building, repairing and preservation of bridges; setting and protecting shade trees; drainage; cutting weeds and brush within this State, and providing for the election and defining the powers, duties and compensation of State, county, township and district highway officials," as amended by Acts Nos. 246 and 355 of the Public Acts of 1913, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts contravening the provisions of this act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Roads and Bridges.

Mr. Wood introduced

House bill No. 101, entitled

A bill to empower and direct the Board of State Auditors to examine and audit all bills and accounts of the city of Jackson for water furnished the Michigan State Prison from January 1, 1897, to January 1, 1915, and to provide for the payment of such bills and accounts when audited.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Michigan State Prison.

Mr. Ashley introduced

House bill No. 102, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of Part 4 of Act No. 10 of the Public Acts of the First Extra Session of 1912, entitled "An act to promote the welfare of the people of this State, relating to the liability of employers for injuries or death sustained by their employes, providing compensation for the accidental injury to or death of employes and methods for payment of the same, establishing an Industrial Accident Board, defining its powers, providing for a review of its awards, making an appropriation to carry out the provisions of this act, and restricting the right to compensation or damages in such cases to such as are provided by this act."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Labor.

Mr. Wright introduced

House bill No. 103, entitled

A bill to require all incorporated stock or mutual companies doing a life insurance business within the State of Michigan to invest a part of the reserve set apart on account and for the final payment of policies of insurance written on the lives of the citizens of Michigan, in Michigan and other securities and Michigan property or in the bonds of the United States or any State of the United States, and to define Michigan securities and the property in which such investments may be made.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Private Corporations.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Woodruff made written request for the printing of
House bill No. 4, entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of Act No. 97 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An Act to regulate the taking of fish in the waters of Lakes Superior, Michigan, Huron and Erie, the bays thereof and the connecting waters between said lakes, within the jurisdiction of this State, and to regulate the transportation, sale and possession of fish taken from said waters."

The request was referred to the Committee on Printing.

Mr. Pray entered the House and took his seat.

GENERAL ORDERS OF THE DAY.

Mr. Henry moved that the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole on the general orders.

The motion prevailed.

The Speaker called Mr. Henry to the chair.

After a time spent in the consideration of bills upon the general orders, the committee rose, and, through its chairman, made a report recommending the passage, without amendment, of the following entitled bill:

House bill No. 65 (file No. 5), entitled

A bill to amend the title, and to add a new section to stand as section 2, of Act No. 311, of the Public Acts of 1905, entitled "An act relative to the cost of bonds to be furnished by State officers," as last amended by Act No. 82 of the Public Acts of 1913.

The bill was placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills for consideration on or after Saturday, February 6.

The Committee of the Whole also reported

House bill No. 7 (file No. 2), entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of Act No. 49, of the Public Acts of 1885, entitled "An act for the relief of purchasers and settlers on swamp land, and to repeal Act No. 166, Session Laws of 1855 and Act No. 173, Session Laws of 1867, the same being sections 5386 and 5887, Howell's Annotated Statutes," now section 1494, of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

Recommending the adoption of the following amendment thereto, and the passage of the bill when so amended:

1. Amend by striking out section 2.

The question being on the adoption of the proposed amendment made by the committee,

The amendment was adopted and the bill was placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills for consideration on or after Thursday, February 4.

The Committee of the Whole also reported

House bill No. 41 (file No. 6), entitled

A bill to provide for the inspection of steam boilers by the Commissioner of Labor in certain cases; fixing his powers and duties with respect thereto, and to provide a penalty for violation of the provisions hereof.

Recommending the adoption of the following amendments thereto, and that when so amended, all after the enacting clause of the bill be stricken out:

1. Amend by inserting in line 3 of section 2 after the word "inspector," the words "from the locality in which the said steam boiler is located, so far as practicable."

2. Amend by striking out of line 4 of section 2 the word "ten" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "six."

3. Amend by striking out of lines 8 and 9 of section 2 the words "general fund not otherwise appropriated," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "amount appropriated for the Department of Labor."

4. Amend by inserting in line 11 of section 4 after the word "inspector," the words "Provided, This act shall not apply to boilers covered by liability insurance carried in companies legally doing business in this State."

The question being on the adoption of the proposed amendments made by the committee,

The amendments were adopted.

The question then being on concurring in the further recommendation of the committee that all after the enacting clause be stricken out.

Mr. Oakley demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was seconded.

The recommendation of the committee was then concurred in and all after the enacting clause of the bill was stricken out, a majority of all the members-elect present and voting thereon voting therefor by yeas and nays as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Anderson	Mr. Francis	Mr. Martin	Mr. Root
Bosch	Gettel	Miller	Ross
Chapin	Green	Nelson	Sherman
Cowan	Henry	O'Brien	Shields
Daigneau	Hinkley	Olmsted	Sly
Edwards	Hopkins	Ormsbee	Smith, S. J.
Empson	Hulse	Petermann	Sutton
Evens	Keen	Quintel	Symonds
Ewing	Kemmerling	Read, Thos.	Ward
Follett	Kooyers	Robertson	Wells
Foote	Leland	Rogers	Wood
Ford, R. L.	McMillan		

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NAYS.

Mr. Ashley	Mr. Hoffman	Mr. Penney	Mr. Tufts
Averill	Jerome, Jas. D.	Person	Van Antwerp
Biggerstaff	Jerome, Wm. F.	Place	Vine
Clark	Jones	Pray	Watkins
Croll	Koehler	Reed, C. J.	Weissert
Culver	Lamphere	Schmidt	Whiteley
De Boer	Lewis	Smith, F. A.	Wolcott
Flowers	Matthews	Smith, Newel	Woodruff
Ford, Sheridan	Moore	Snow	Wright
Gayde	Oakley	Sours	Speaker
Haviland	Palmer	Stevenson	

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Mr. Oakley moved that the vote by which the House struck out all after the enacting clause be reconsidered.

The motion prevailed.

The question then being on the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole that all after the enacting clause of the bill be stricken out,

Mr. Oakley moved that the bill be re-referred to the Committee on Labor.

The motion prevailed, and the bill was re-referred to the Committee on Labor.

Mr. Haviland moved that the House adjourn.

The motion prevailed, the time being 3:35 o'clock p. m.

The Speaker declared the House adjourned until tomorrow at 2 o'clock p. m.

CHARLES S. PIERCE,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.

NINETEENTH DAY.

Lansing, Wednesday, February 3.

2:00 o'clock p. m.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

Religious exercises were conducted by Rev. Orlo J. Price, of the First Baptist church, of Lansing.

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk, who announced that a quorum was present.

Messrs. Bosch, Griggs, Lamphere, Martz, Newel Smith, Stevens and Woodruff were absent without leave.

Mr. Wolcott moved that Mr. Newel Smith be excused from today's session.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Pray moved that Mr. Stevens be excused from today's session.
The motion prevailed.

Mr. Green asked and obtained a leave of absence for the members of the Committee on Michigan Farm Colony for Epileptics from tomorrow's session.

Mr. Robertson moved that Messrs. Bosch and Woodruff be excused from today's and tomorrow's sessions.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Stevenson moved that Mr. Lamphere be excused from today's session and for the balance of the week.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Oakley moved that the other absentees without leave be excused from today's session.

The motion prevailed.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

Mr. Person presented

Petition No. 56.

Petition of the Social Service Board of the First Baptist Church of Lansing, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 64 (file No. 47), relative to a retirement fund for teachers.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Ransom L. Ford presented

Petition No. 57.

Petition of W. A. Adams and 88 other citizens of the village of Davison, Genesee county, requesting the passage of a bill enabling village assessors to become members of the board of supervisors; also the passage of a bill separating villages and townships for taxation purposes in the manner provided for cities.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Village Corporations.

Mr. Evens presented

Petition No. 58.

Resolution of Coldwater Council of the United Commercial Travelers, protesting against the passage of the bill increasing railroad passenger rates.

The resolution was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Culver presented

Petition No. 59.

Petition of Thomas E. Fraser and 21 other citizens of Wayne county, in favor of the present deer hunting law.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Whiteley presented

Petition No. 60.

Petition of B. L. Odle and 17 other teachers of the Onaway public schools in favor of Senate bill No. 64 (file No. 47), relative to a retirement fund for teachers.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

By unanimous consent

Mr. Averill offered the following concurrent resolution:

House concurrent resolution No. 9.

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That when the Legislature adjourns on Thursday, February 4th, next, it stand adjourned until Monday, February 8th, next, at 9:00 o'clock p. m.

The Speaker announced that under Rule 50 the resolution would lie over one day.

Mr. Averill moved that Rule 50 be suspended.

The motion prevailed, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,
The resolution was adopted.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Pontiac State Hospital, by Mr. Nelson, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 13, entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the Pontiac State Hospital for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1916, for the purpose of equipping power boilers in the central power house with automatic stokers, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The Committee on Roads and Bridges, by Mr. Daprato, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 74, entitled

A bill to amend Act 266 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to amend Act No. 283 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled 'An act to revise, consolidate, and add to the laws relating to the establishment, opening, improvement, maintenance, and use of the public highways and private roads; the condemnation of property and gravel therefor; the building, repairing and preservation of bridges; setting and protecting shade trees; drainage; cutting weeds and brush within this State, and providing for the election and defining the powers, duties and compensation of State, county, township and district highway officials,' approved June 2, 1909, by adding thereto a new chapter to be known as chapter 25, providing for the repair and improvement of highways by means of assessment of statute labor; for the election of overseers of highways; prescribing the qualifications and duties thereof; providing for carrying the same into effect; and prescribing the conditions under which the same shall supersede all provisions inconsistent therewith; and enabling townships to adopt or repeal the provisions hereof, upon a referendum vote of a majority of the qualified voters voting thereon; providing for assessments for highway purposes; for the performance of labor on highways, and the commutation therefor; and to prescribe penalties, forfeitures, and general duties of overseers," approved June 8, 1913, by amending sections 20, 22, 30 and 39 of said chapter 25, being said sections of said Act No. 266, providing the payment by persons assessed of one dollar fifty cents for each day of work that said person refused or neglected to work after due notice; providing an offset of one day of work against the assessment for each one dollar fifty cents collected in an action against the person assessed; providing a minimum width of road grade; and providing that each day of labor be estimated at one dollar and fifty cents in estimating all arrearages of labor.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Judiciary, by Mr. Flowers, Chairman, reported House bill No. 30, entitled

A bill to define what shall constitute partnerships; the relation of partners to persons dealing with the partnerships; the relation of partners to one another; to provide for the dissolution and winding up of partnerships; and to make uniform the law relating thereto.

With the following amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in and that when so amended the bill pass:

1. Amend by striking out of line 1 of section 5 the word "cease" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "cases."

2. Amend by striking out of line 7 of section 33 the words "in cases where section thirty-four so requires" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "or (b) when the dissolution is by such act, bankruptcy or death of a partner, in cases where section 34 so requires."

3. Amend by inserting in line 1 of section 38, subdivision (c) 1 the words "the provisions of."

4. Amend by inserting in line 6 of section 41, subdivision 3, the words "and of the creditors of the person or partnership."

5. Amend by striking out of line 6 of section 41, subdivision 8, the words "have a prior right to any claim of the retired partner or the representative of the deceased partner."

6. Amend by inserting in line 6 of section 42 after the word "continuing" the words "the business."

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the amendments to the bill recommended by the committee,

The amendments were adopted.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Printing, by Mr. VanAntwerp, Chairman, reported The written request of Mr. Newel Smith for the printing of House bill No. 55, entitled

A bill to provide for the registration, identification and regulation of motor vehicles operated upon the public highways of this State, and of the operators of such vehicles; and to provide for levying specific taxes upon such vehicles so operated and registering certain operators thereof; and to provide for the disposition of such funds; and to provide for other means of taxation of motor vehicles so operated; and to repeal all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith or contrary hereto.

With the recommendation that the request be granted.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the recommendation of the committee,

The recommendation was concurred in, and the bill ordered printed.

The Committee on Printing, by Mr. VanAntwerp, Chairman, reported The written request of Mr. Lewis for the printing of House bill No. 15, entitled

A bill to provide for the assessment and the collection of a specific annual tax upon the class of credits founded upon and evidenced by mortgages and liens upon real property, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in contravention thereto.

With the recommendation that the request be granted.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the recommendation of the committee,

The recommendation was concurred in, and the bill ordered printed.

The Committee on Printing, by Mr. VanAntwerp, Chairman, reported

The written request of Mr. Oakley for the printing of

House bill No. 61, entitled

A bill to promote the safety of travelers and employes upon railroads operating in the State of Michigan by limiting the length of trains operated by common carriers, and providing a penalty for the violation of this act.

With the recommendation that the request be granted.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the recommendation of the committee,

The recommendation was concurred in, and the bill ordered printed.

The Committee on Printing, by Mr. VanAntwerp, Chairman, reported

The written request of Mr. Wolcott for the printing of

House bill No. 75, entitled

A bill providing for the security of depositors in the incorporated banks of Michigan; creating the bank depositors' guaranty fund of the State of Michigan, and providing regulations therefor and penalties for the violation thereof.

With the recommendation that the request be granted.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the recommendation of the committee,

The recommendation was concurred in, and the bill ordered printed.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Croll introduced

House joint resolution No. 2.

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to article 8 of the Constitution of this State, by adding a new section thereto to stand as section 15a of said article, authorizing drainage districts to issue bonds for drainage purposes.

The joint resolution was referred to the Committee on Revision and Amendment of the Constitution.

Mr. Palmer introduced

House bill No. 104, entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of an act entitled "An act to incorporate the Detroit Library Commission, and to provide means for acquiring lands and the construction of public library building or buildings thereon, and the maintenance of the same," approved March 29, 1901, as amended by Act No. 390 of the Local Acts of 1903, and as further amended by Act No. 460 of the Local Acts of 1905, approved April 6, 1905.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. Palmer introduced

House bill No. 105, entitled

A bill to provide for retired pay for the employes of the public libraries in the various cities of the State of Michigan.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Moore introduced

House bill No. 106, entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of Act No. 243 of the Public Acts of 1903, as amended by Act No. 119 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act in relation to the manufacture and sale of renovated butter."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Mr. Foote introduced

House bill No. 107, entitled

A bill to amend subdivision 9 of section 9 of article 2 of the act entitled "An act to revise the laws providing for the incorporation of railroad companies, and to regulate the running and management, and to fix the duties and liabilities of all railroads and other corporations owning or operating any railroad in this State," being Act No. 198 of the Session Laws of 1873, approved May 1, 1873, and being section 6234 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by Act No. 266 of the Public Acts of 1899.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Flowers introduced

House bill No. 108, entitled

A bill to create a commission to investigate the causes and effects of commercialized prostitution, and to recommend to the Legislature and to the public ways and means of combating this vice and its attendant evils, to the end that the health and morals of the people of the State shall be conserved and protected.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Shields introduced

House bill No. 109, entitled

A bill to amend section 18 of Act No. 275 of the Public Acts of 1911, entitled "An act to provide for the protection of game and birds; to regulate the taking, possession, use and transportation of the same; to prohibit the sale thereof; to regulate the manner of hunting, pursuing and killing game or birds; to provide a penalty for the violation of any of the provisions of this act, and to repeal inconsistent acts and parts of acts," approved May 2, 1911, as amended by Act No. 167 of the Public Acts of 1913; relative to the closed season on rabbits.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Ross introduced

House bill No. 110, entitled

A bill making appropriation for a library and auditorium building for Michigan Agricultural College, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Agricultural College.

Mr. Person introduced

House bill No. 111, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of Act No. 232 of the Public Acts of 1901, entitled "An act to extend aid to the Michigan Agricultural College," as amended by Act No. 303 of the Public Acts of 1905, and Act No. 266 of the Public Acts of 1907.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Agricultural College.

Mr. Nank introduced

House bill No. 112, entitled

A bill to amend sections 19, 20, 22, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 34, 35 and 36 of Act No. 281 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act relative to the nomination of party candidates for public office and delegates to political conventions; to regulate primary elections and to prescribe penalties for violations of its provisions; and to provide for the printing upon election ballots of the names of candidates nominated under the terms of this act; and to repeal Act No. 4 of the Public Acts of the Extra Session of the year 1907, and all local primary election acts contravening the provisions of this act except as in this act otherwise provided," as amended by Act No. 279 of the Public Acts of 1911, and Act No. 118 of the Public Acts of 1913.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Elections.

Mr. Olmsted introduced

House bill No. 113, entitled

A bill to amend section 10 of chapter 3 of Act No. 283 of the Public Acts of 1911, entitled "An act to revise, consolidate and add to the laws relating to the establishment, opening, improvement, maintenance and use of the public highways and private roads; the condemnation of property and gravel therefor; the building, repairing and preservation of bridges; setting and protecting shade trees; drainage; cutting weeds and brush within this State, and providing for the election and defining the powers, duties and compensation of State, county, township and district highway officials," approved June 2, 1909, as last amended by Act No. 355 of the Public Acts of 1913; relative to number of signers to applications for submission of question of bond issue in good roads districts.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Roads and Bridges.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Rice made written request for the printing of House bill No. 70, entitled

A bill to provide for the organization, operation and supervision of fire insurance rate making bureaus; to provide for a review of any rates fixed by any such bureau for fire insurance upon property in this State; to prohibit discrimination in such rates, and to regulate all agreements between fire insurance companies or their agents affecting such rates.

The request was referred to the Committee on Printing.

Mr. Palmer offered the following resolution:
House resolution No. 24.

Resolved, That the Speaker of the House of Representatives be and is hereby authorized and directed to have mailed to citizens of Michigan, on written request therefor, copies of Senate and House bills and Senate and House Journals, and also on request of the Speaker or any Representative of the State Legislature, to have mailed copies of such bills and Journals and such other mail matter as is declared by the Speaker or any Representative of the State Legislature to pertain wholly to official business, and be it further

Resolved, That the sums due for expense necessarily incurred pursuant to the provisions of this resolution shall be referred to the Committee on Supplies and Expenditures of the House of Representatives and upon the acceptance and adoption of report of such Committee, certificate shall be issued for the payment of the same in the same manner as other expenses incidental to the sessions of the Legislature are required to be paid.

The resolution was adopted.

Mr. Miller offered the following resolution:
House resolution No. 25.

Resolved, That the members of the House contribute 25 cents each, the same to be turned over to the Clerk, who is instructed to rent a piano and have the same placed in the northwest corner of this hall, as has been the previous custom.

The resolution was not adopted.

Mr. Ashley moved that the House take a recess until 3:00 o'clock p. m.
The motion prevailed.

AFTER RECESS.

3:00 o'clock p. m.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

Mr. Ashley moved that the House return to the order of Messages from the Senate.

The motion prevailed.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

A message was received from the Senate returning
House concurrent resolution No. 8.

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring),
that there is hereby acknowledged the kind courtesy of the Reo Motor
Car Company in taking the members of both houses to and from their
plant, and exhibiting to them their advanced process of manufacturing
motor cars.

And informing the House that the Senate had concurred in the adop-
tion of the resolution.

A message was received from the Senate returning
House concurrent resolution No. 9.

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring),
That when the Legislature adjourns on Thursday February 4th, next,
it stand adjourned until Monday, February 8th, next, at 9 o'clock p. m.

And informing the House that the Senate had concurred in the adop-
tion of the resolution.

By unanimous consent

Mr. Averill moved that when the House adjourns today it stand ad-
journed until tomorrow at 9:00 o'clock a. m.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Ashley asked and obtained a leave of absence from tomorrow's
session.

Messrs. DeBoer and Sheridan Ford asked and obtained leaves of
absence from Monday night's session.

Mr. Ormsbee asked and obtained a leave of absence from Monday's
and Tuesday's sessions.

Mr. Nank moved that the House adjourn.

The motion prevailed, the time being 3:19 o'clock p. m.

The Speaker declared the House adjourned until tomorrow at 9:00
o'clock a. m.

CHARLES S. PIERCE,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.

TWENTIETH DAY.

Lansing, Thursday, February 4.

9 o'clock a. m.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

Religious exercises were conducted by Rev. William F. Jerome, of St. Peter's Episcopal Church, of Hillsdale.

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk, who announced that a quorum was present.

Messrs. Ashley, Bosch, Cowan, Daprato, Green, Matthews and Miller were absent with leave.

Messrs. Amon, Anderson, Gettel, James D. Jerome, Kemmerling, Petermann, Stevens, Stevenson and Whiteley were absent without leave.

Mr. Foote moved that Mr. Petermann be excused from today's session. The motion prevailed.

Mr. Schmidt moved that Mr. Stevens be excused from today's session. The motion prevailed.

Mr. Henry moved that the other absentees without leave be excused from today's session. The motion prevailed.

Messrs. Evens and William F. Jerome asked and obtained leaves of absence from Monday's session.

Mr. Wiley asked and obtained an indefinite leave of absence after today's session.

Mr. Nelson moved that Mr. Daprato be granted an indefinite leave of absence. The motion prevailed.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

Mr. Griggs presented
Petition No. 61.

Protest of Rochester Gun Club and 35 citizens of Avon township, Oakland county, against the passage of a law limiting the killing of deer to one buck and favoring the passage of a law limiting the killing of deer to one of either sex.

The protest was referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

By unanimous consent.

Mr. Nank made written request for the printing of
House bill No. 112, entitled

A bill to amend sections 19, 20, 22, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 34, 35 and 36 of Act No. 281 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act relative to the nomination of party candidates for public office and delegates to political conventions; to regulate primary elections and to prescribe penalties for violations of its provisions; and to provide for the printing upon election ballots of the names of candidates nominated under the terms of this act; and to repeal Act No. 4 of the Public Acts of the Extra Session of the year 1907, and all local primary election acts contravening the provisions of this act except as in this act otherwise provided," as amended by Act No. 279 of the Public Acts of 1911, and Act No. 118 of the Public Acts of 1913.

The request was referred to the Committee on Printing.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Private Corporations, by Mr. Foote, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 14, entitled

A bill to amend section 4 of Act No. 205, of the Public Acts of 1887, entitled "An act to revise the laws authorizing the business of banking, and to establish a banking department for the supervision of such business," being section 6093 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by Act No. 11, of the Public Acts of 1913, to enable State banks to become member banks under the federal reserve act.

With the following amendment thereto, recommending that the amendment be concurred in and that when so amended the bill pass:

1. Amend by inserting in line 9 of paragraph 7 of section 4 after the word "thereto" the words "as provided hereinafter."

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the amendment to the bill recommended by the committee,

The amendment was adopted.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Private Corporations, by Mr. Foote, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 103, entitled

A bill to require all incorporated stock or mutual companies doing a life insurance business within the State of Michigan to invest a part of the reserve set apart on account and for the final payment of policies of insurance written on the lives of citizens of Michigan, in Michigan and other securities and Michigan property, or in the bonds of the United States, or any State of the United States, and to define Michigan securities and the property in which such investments may be made.

With the recommendation that it be referred to the Committee on Insurance.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the recommendation of the committee,

The recommendation was concurred in and the bill was referred to the Committee on Insurance.

The Committee on Education, by Mr. Symonds, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 56, entitled

A bill to amend section 5 of Act No. 147 of the Public Acts of 1891, entitled "An act to provide for the election of a county commissioner of schools, for the appointment of school examiners, (and) to define the duties and fix the compensation for the same, and to repeal all existing acts or parts of acts conflicting with the provisions of this act," being compiler's section 4812 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as last amended by Act No. 231 of the Public Acts of 1913.

With the following amendment thereto, recommending that the amendment be concurred in and that when so amended the bill pass:

1. Amend by striking out of line 15 of section 5 all after the word "instruction" to and including the word "institute" in line 19, and inserting in lieu thereof the following: "Provided, That no certificate shall be granted under the provisions of this act to any person who shall not have completed a term of at least six weeks' work in professional training in a State normal school, or in one of the county normal training classes of the State, or in the Ferris Institute, or in any school approved by the State Superintendent of Public Instruction; but the completion of one-half year of work in a school maintaining four years of work above high school rank shall be accepted in lieu of this requirement. This proviso, however, shall not apply to persons who have taught in the schools in the State for at least five months prior to July 1, 1916."

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the amendment to the bill recommended by the committee,

The amendment was adopted.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Education, by Mr. Symonds, Chairman, reported House bill No. 52, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1, 2 and 3 of Act No. 144 of the Public

Acts of 1901, entitled "An act to provide for the establishment and maintenance of rural high schools," approved May 21, 1901, as last amended by Act No. 97 of the Public Acts of 1909; to permit of the discontinuance of any rural high school established under the provisions of said act.

With the following amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in and that when so amended the bill pass:

1. Amend by striking out of line 14 of section 3 the words "more votes are" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "two-thirds of the votes."

2. Amend by inserting in line 14 of section 3 after the word "cast" the word "are."

3. Amend by striking out of line 15 of section 3 the words "than against such proposition."

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the amendments to the bill recommended by the committee,

The amendments were adopted.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Printing, by Mr. VanAntwerp, Chairman, reported

The written request of Mr. Nank for the printing of
House bill No. 112, entitled

A bill to amend sections 19, 20, 22, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 34, 35 and 36 of Act No. 281 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act relative to the nomination of party candidates for public office and delegates to political conventions; to regulate primary elections and to prescribe penalties for violations of its provisions; and to provide for the printing upon election ballots of the names of candidates nominated under the terms of this act; and to repeal Act No. 4 of the Public Acts of the Extra Session of the year 1907, and all local primary election acts contravening the provisions of this act except as in this act otherwise provided," as amended by Act No. 279 of the Public Acts of 1911, and Act No. 118 of the Public Acts of 1913.

With the recommendation that the request be granted.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the recommendation of the committee,

The recommendation was concurred in, and the bill ordered printed.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting
Senate bill No. 2 (file No. 2), entitled

A bill to prevent fraud in the sale and disposition of stocks, bonds or other securities sold or offered for sale within the State of Michigan by any dealer, firm, company, association or corporation, foreign or domestic, by requiring an inspection of such stocks, bonds, or other securities and an inspection of the business of such persons, firms, companies, associations or corporations, including dealers and agents, and

such regulation and supervision of the business of said persons, firms, companies, associations, or corporations, including dealers and agents, as may be necessary to prevent fraud in the sale within the State, of any stocks, bonds or other securities, and to provide a penalty for the violation thereof and to repeal Act No. 143 of the Public Acts of 1913, approved May 2, 1913, and all other acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Private Corporations.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting Senate bill No. 24 (file No. 22), entitled

A bill to provide for completing the records of plats in the office of the Auditor General by making an examination of all plats on file in the registers of deeds' offices in the several counties of this State, making tracings of all plats of record that are not of record in the office of the Auditor General, from which blue prints shall be made and filed in the office of the Auditor General, for the re-designation of captions of plats now on file for assessment purposes and making an appropriation therefor; and requiring county officers to furnish necessary information and certified copies of certain court orders.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Clark introduced

House bill No. 114, entitled

A bill to authorize the board of supervisors of each county to receive, appropriate and raise money by tax for the purpose of encouraging and improving agriculture within the county by co-operating with the Michigan Agricultural College or the United States Department of Agriculture in employing a county agricultural agent.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Mr. Palmer introduced

House bill No. 115, entitled

A bill to repeal Act No. 1 of the Session Laws of 1869, as amended, entitled "An act to designate the time and provide the manner of electing United States senators," being sections 1144, 1145, 1146 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Elections.

Mr. Flowers introduced

House bill No. 116, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1, 21, 23 and 32 of Act No. 190 of the Public Acts of 1891, approved July 3, 1891, entitled "An act to prescribe the manner of conducting and to prevent fraud and deceptions at elections in this State," such amended sections being sections 3612, 3631, 3633

and 3642 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by Act No. 214, Public Acts of 1901; Act No. 189, Public Acts of 1907; Act No. 192, Public Acts of 1909; Acts Nos. 60 and 158, Public Acts of 1911; Act No. 8, Public Acts of 1912; and Acts No. 54, No. 218 and No. 375, Public Acts of 1913; and to add three new sections to stand as section 49, section 50 and section 51 of said act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Elections.

Mr. William F. Jerome introduced

House bill No. 117, entitled

A bill to amend sections 37 and 39 of Act No. 313 of the Public Acts of 1887, as amended, entitled "An act to provide for the taxation, licensing and regulation of the business of manufacturing, selling, keeping for sale, furnishing, giving or delivering spirituous and intoxicating liquor and malt, brewed or fermented liquors and vinous liquors in this State. and to repeal all acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Foote introduced

House bill No. 118, entitled

A bill to amend section 9 of article 2 of an act, entitled "An act to revise the laws providing for the incorporation of railroad companies; and to regulate the running and management; and to fix the duties and liabilities of all railroad and other corporations owning or operating any railroad in this State," being Act No. 198 of the Session Laws of 1873, approved May 1, 1873, and being section 6234 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by Act No. 266 of the Public Acts of 1899.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Martz introduced

House bill No. 119, entitled

A bill to amend section 7 of Act No. 206 of the Public Acts of 1893, entitled "An act to provide for the assessment of property and the levy and collection of taxes thereon, and for the collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied; making such taxes a lien on the lands taxed; establishing and continuing such lien, providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes, and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the State and not redeemed or purchased; and to repeal Act No. 200 of the Public Acts of 1891, and all other acts or parts of acts in anywise contravening any of the provisions of this act," being section 7 of chapter 98, and Compiler's section 3830 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by Act No. 309 of the Public Acts of 1909, and as amended by Act No. 174 of the Public Acts of 1911.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on General Taxation.

Mr. Ross introduced

House bill No. 120, entitled

A bill to provide for the licensing of auctioneers conducting public auctions in the State of Michigan.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Towns and Counties.

Mr. Palmer introduced

House bill No. 121, entitled

A bill to amend section 16 of Act No. 281 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act relative to the nomination of party candidates for public offices and delegates to political conventions; to regulate primary elections and to prescribe penalties for violations of its provisions; and to provide for the printing upon election ballots of the names of candidates nominated under the terms of this act, and to repeal Act No. 4 of the Public Acts of the Extra Session of the year 1907, and all local primary election acts contravening the provisions of this act, except as in this act otherwise provided," approved June 2, 1909, as last amended by Act No. 118 of the Public Acts of 1913; relative to the nomination of candidates for United States senator.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Elections.

Mr. Palmer introduced

House bill No. 122, entitled

A bill to amend section 4 of Act No. 257 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to regulate the construction and operation of moving picture shows and theatres showing moving pictures in which celluloid films are used; to provide for an inspection fee for operating the same, and to place supervision of such shows and theatres under the department of the State Fire Marshal," approved May 7, 1913, to permit the holding of moving picture exhibitions above the first or main floor in fire proof buildings.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Palmer introduced

House joint resolution No. 3.

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to section 30 of article V of the Constitution, relative to the enactment of local or special acts by the Legislature.

The joint resolution was referred to the Committee on Revision and Amendment of the Constitution.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 7 (file No. 2), entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of Act No. 49, of the Public Acts of 1885, entitled "An act for the relief of purchasers and settlers on swamp land, and to repeal Act No. 166, Session Laws of 1855, and Act No. 173, Session Laws of 1867, the same being sections 5386 and 5387, Howell's Annotated Statutes," now section 1494, of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor by yeas and nays as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Averill	Mr. Hoffman	Mr. Penney	Mr. Sours
Biggerstaff	Hopkins	Person	Stevens
Chapin	Jerome, Wm. F.	Place	Sutton
Croll	Jones	Pray	Symonds
Culver	Keen	Quintel	Tufts
Daigneau	Koehler	Read, Thos.	Van Antwerp
De Boer	Kooyers	Reed, C. J.	Vine
Edwards	Lamphere	Rice	Ward
Empson	Leland	Robertson	Warner
Ewing	Lewis	Rogers	Watkins
Flowers	Martin	Root	Weissert
Foote	Martz	Ross	Wells
Ford, R. L.	Moore	Schmidt	Wieland
Ford, Sheridan	Nank	Sherman	Wiley
Francis	Nelson	Shields	Wolcott
Gayde	Oakley	Sly	Wood
Griggs	O'Brien	Smith, F. A.	Woodruff
Haviland	Olmsted	Smith, Newel	Wright
Henry	Ormsbee	Smith, S. J.	Speaker
Hinkley	Palmer	Snow	

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

Mr. Averill moved that the House adjourn.

The motion prevailed, the time being 9:40 o'clock a. m.

The Speaker declared the House adjourned until Monday at 9 o'clock p. m.

CHARLES S. PIERCE,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.

TWENTY-FIRST DAY.

Lansing, Monday, February 8.

9 o'clock p. m.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

Religious exercises were conducted by Rev. George H. Coman, of the Mayflower Congregational Church, of Lansing.

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk, who announced that a quorum was present.

Messrs. Daprato, DeBoer, Evens, Sheridan Ford, Ormsbee and Wiley were absent with leave.

Messrs. Bosch, Empson, Foote, Green, Henry, Keen, Kooyers, Oakley, Thomas Read, Rogers, Ross, Sherman, Frank A. Smith, Snow, Stevenson, Wieland and Wood were absent without leave.

Mr. Kemmerling moved that Mr. Keen be excused from today's session. The motion prevailed.

Mr. Root moved that Mr. Frank A. Smith be excused from today's session.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Petermann moved that an indefinite leave of absence be granted to Mr. Foote.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Stevens moved that the other absentees without leave be excused from today's session.

The motion prevailed.

The Speaker announced the following appointments on Standing Committees to fill vacancies caused by the death of the late Representative

Homer McGraw: Committee on Insurance, Mr. Ashley; Committee on General Taxation, Mr. Vine; Committee on State Sanatorium, Mr. Flowers.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

Mr. Moore presented
Petition No. 62.

Resolutions of Adrian Grange No. 213 of Adrian, favoring an increased mill tax for the Michigan Agricultural College.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on Agricultural College.

Mr. Lewis presented
Petition No. 63.

Petition of C. E. Denton and 43 other citizens of Van Buren county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 9, relative to mutual telephone companies.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. Sly presented
Petition No. 64.

Resolutions endorsed by E. C. Underwood and 21 other citizens of Newberry, favoring an increase in the present fares charged by railroads of the Upper Peninsula, if upon investigation the present passenger rates shall be found to be inadequate.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Place presented
Petition No. 65.

Petition of W. L. Hawey and 26 other citizens of St. Joseph county, requesting the passage of a bill to prohibit the use of spears in taking fish from the waters of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Fish and Fisheries.

Mr. Place presented
Petition No. 66.

Petition of George J. Jors and 21 other citizens of St. Joseph county, in favor of the present deer hunting law.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Moore presented
Petition No. 67.

Resolutions adopted by Raisin Grange No. 214, of Lenawee county, favoring an increased mill tax for the Michigan Agricultural College.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on Agricultural College.

Mr. Moore presented
Petition No. 68.

Petition of The Monday Evening Literary Club of Adrian, Lenawee

county, requesting the passage of Senate Bill No. 14, relative to establishing a State Reformatory for Women.

The petition was referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Wells presented

Petition No. 69.

Petition of L. C. Wells and 81 other citizens of Cass county, in favor of the present deer hunting law.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Sours presented

Petition No. 70.

Resolutions adopted by the Grand Traverse County Farmers' Institute, requesting the passage of a law providing for a better method of furnishing reliable market reports, and a better system of distributing farm products.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. Whiteley presented

Petition No. 71.

Petition of J. M. Farrier and 35 other citizens of Montmorency county, requesting the passage of a bill to prohibit the use of spears in taking fish from the waters of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Fish and Fisheries.

Mr. Frank A. Smith presented

Petition No. 72.

Petition of G. A. McGee and 52 other teachers of the Cadillac city schools, Wexford county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 64, relative to a retirement fund for teachers.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. McMillan presented

Petition No. 73.

Petition of Claud E. Bowen and 19 other citizens of East Jordan, Charlevoix county, in favor of the present law relative to the spearing of fish.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Fish and Fisheries.

Mr. McMillan presented

Petition No. 74.

Petition of James Grans and 37 other citizens of East Jordan, Charlevoix county, in favor of the present law relative to the spearing of fish.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Fish and Fisheries.

Mr. Follett presented

Petition No. 75.

Petition of Chas. E. Kinyon and 52 other citizens of West Branch, Iosco District, favoring the passage of a law prohibiting the use of nets or spears in taking fish from the inland waters of the State, except as provided for removal under direction of the Game Warden's Department.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Fish and Fisheries.

Mr. Newel Smith presented
Petition No. 76.

Petition of W. E. Altenburg and 44 other citizens of Ithaca, Gratiot county, favoring an increased rate of passenger fares on railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Schmidt presented
Petition No. 77.

Petition of G. A. Swanson and 52 other citizens of Tustin, Osceola county, favoring the present deer hunting law.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Follett presented
Petition No. 78.

Petition of Albert Christir and 39 other citizens of Iosco county, favoring the present deer hunting law.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Petermann presented
Petition No. 79.

Petition of William H. Faucett and 158 other citizens of Houghton county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY CLERK OF PRINTING OF BILLS.

The Clerk announced that the following named bills had been printed and placed upon the files of the members Friday, February 5:

Senate substitute for Senate bill No. 37 (file No. 48), entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the State Highway Department for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1916, to meet a deficiency in the appropriation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1915, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

Senate bill No. 66 (file No. 49), entitled

A bill to amend sections 3, 4, 6, 8, 10 and 11 of Part II, and sections 3 and 11 of Part III of Act No. 10 of the Public Acts of 1912, First Extra Session, entitled "An act to promote the welfare of the people of this State, relative to the liability of employers for injuries or death sustained by their employes, providing compensation for the accidental injury to or death of employes and methods for the payment of the same, establishing an industrial accident board, defining its powers, providing for a review of its awards, making an appropriation to carry out the provisions of this act, and restricting the right to compensation or damages in such cases to such as are provided by this act," approved March 20, 1912.

Senate bill No. 68 (file No. 50), entitled

A bill making appropriations for the State Public School for current expenses, including maintenance of dependent crippled children, and

building and special purposes, for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

House bill No. 43 (file No. 11), entitled

A bill to amend section 17 of Act No. 285 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to provide for the creation of a department of labor, to prescribe its powers and duties, to regulate the employment of labor; to make an appropriation for the maintenance of such department, and to prescribe penalties for the violation of this act," approved June 2, 1909.

The Clerk announced that the following named bills had been printed and placed upon the files of the members Saturday, February 6:

Senate bill No. 70 (file No. 51), entitled

A bill to provide for the creation of a board of mediation and conciliation; to prescribe its powers and duties; to provide for arbitration in the settlement of differences that may arise between employer or employers and employes; and to make an appropriation for the maintenance of such board.

Senate bill No. 73 (file No. 52), entitled

A bill to provide for a uniform method of assessing real and personal property for taxes in this State.

Senate bill No. 74 (file No. 53), entitled

A bill to amend sections 2, 3, 6, 7, 8 and 9 of Act No. 91 of the Public Acts of 1911, entitled "An act to provide for the assessment and the collection of a specific tax upon the class of credits founded upon and evidenced by mortgages and liens upon real property, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in contravention thereto," approved April 18, 1911.

Senate bill No. 77 (file No. 54), entitled

A bill to make appropriations for the Northern State Normal School for current expenses for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, and for building and special purposes for said institution for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1916, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

Senate bill No. 78 (file No. 55), entitled

A bill making appropriations for the Newberry State Hospital at Newberry, for the biennial period ending June 30, 1916, for buildings and special purposes, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

Senate bill No. 80 (file No. 56), entitled

A bill to regulate the manufacture and sale of dairy products by the licensing of all cheese factories, creameries, skimming stations, condensed milk factories, milk and cream depots, thereby to protect the public health and to improve the quality of dairy products made in the State and prevent fraud and deception in the sale thereof.

Senate bill No. 81 (file No. 57), entitled

A bill to provide for the incorporation and regulation of companies to insure railway conductors, railway engineers and railway officials for the loss of position arising from discharge or retirement.

Senate bill No. 86 (file No. 58), entitled

A bill making appropriations for the State Tuberculosis Sanatorium for current expenses and for building and special purposes for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

Senate bill No. 87 (file No. 59), entitled

A bill to provide for a deficiency appropriation for the State Tuberculosis Sanatorium.

Senate bill No. 89 (file No. 60), entitled

A bill to create a commission, and define its duties and powers, for the purpose of marking by monument the memory of Michigan regiments participating in the Battle of Shiloh, during the civil war; to make an appropriation for the same and provide a tax therefor.

Senate bill No. 48 (file No. 61), entitled

A bill to require plans for all school buildings and for additions to school buildings, the cost of which shall exceed three hundred dollars, to be approved by the superintendent of public instruction and the secretary of the state board of health, and to authorize the condemnation of school houses under certain conditions.

Senate bill No. 57 (file No. 62), entitled

A bill to provide for the proper ventilation of public school houses, churches, lodge rooms, theatres and other public halls and to fix a penalty for neglect or refusal to comply therewith.

Senate bill No. 90 (file No. 63), entitled

A bill to amend sections 1, 21, 23 and 32 of Act No. 190 of the Public Acts of 1891, approved July 3, 1891, entitled "An act to prescribe the manner of conducting and to prevent fraud and deceptions at elections in this State," such amended sections being sections 3612, 3631, 3633 and 3642 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by Act No. 214, Public Acts of 1901; Act No. 189, Public Acts of 1907; Act No. 192, Public Acts of 1909; Acts Nos. 60 and 158, Public Acts of 1911; Act No. 8, Public Acts of 1912; and Acts Nos. 54, 218 and 375, Public Acts of 1913, and to add three new sections to stand as section 49, section 50 and section 51 of said act.

Senate bill No. 91 (file No. 64), entitled

A bill to provide for procedure in courts of chancery to enjoin and abate houses of lewdness, assignation and prostitution; to declare the same to be nuisances; to enjoin the person or persons who conduct or maintain the same and the owner, or agent thereof, of any premises used for such purposes; to prescribe penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act; to provide for contempt proceedings for disregard or violation of any order or decree of abatement or injunction issued in proceedings under this act, and providing for the forfeiture of the benefits of property exemptions in the enforcement of orders, decrees or writs of execution made or issued by virtue of this act.

House bill No. 68 (file No. 12), entitled

A bill to authorize the common council of cities of the fourth class to provide by ordinance for the establishment of central places of registration of the electors of said city.

House bill No. 62 (file No. 13), entitled

A bill to amend section 18 of chapter 9 of Act No. 3, of the Public Acts of 1895, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation of villages within the State of Michigan, and defining their powers and duties," said section being section 2869 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

House bill No. 64 (file No. 14), entitled

A bill to amend section 35 of Act 206 of the Public Acts of 1893, being "An act to provide for assessment of property and levy and collection of taxes thereon; and for collection of taxes heretofore and here-

after levied; making such taxes a lien on the lands taxed; establishing and continuing such lien; providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes, and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the State and not redeemed or purchased; and to repeal Act No. 200 of the Public Acts of 1891, and all other acts and parts of acts in any wise contravening any of the provisions of this act," being section 3858 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

The Clerk announced that the following named bills had been printed and placed upon the files of the members Monday, February 8:

House bill No. 66 (file No. 15), entitled

A bill to amend section 84 of Act No. 206 of the Public Acts of 1893, being "An act to provide for the assessment of property and the levy and collection of taxes thereon, and for the collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied; making such taxes a lien on the lands taxed; establishing and continuing such lien; providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes; and for the inspection and disposition of land bid off to the State and not redeemed or purchased; and to repeal Act 200 of the Public Acts of 1891 and all other acts and parts of acts in any wise contravening any of the provisions of this act," being section 3907 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by Act 262 of the Public Acts of 1899.

House bill No. 74 (file No. 16), entitled

A bill to amend Act 266 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to amend Act No. 283 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled 'An act to revise, consolidate and add to the laws relating to the establishment, opening, improvement, maintenance and use of the public highways and private roads, the condemnation of property and gravel therefor; the building, repairing and preservation of bridges, setting and protecting shade trees; drainage; cutting weeds and brush within this State, and providing for the election and defining the powers, duties and compensation of State, county, township and district highway officials,' approved June 2, 1909, by adding thereto a new chapter to be known as chapter 25, providing for the repair and improvement of highways by means of assessment of statute labor, for the election of overseers of highways, prescribing the qualifications and duties thereof, providing for carrying the same into effect, and prescribing the conditions under which the same shall supersede all provisions inconsistent therewith; and enabling townships to adopt or repeal the provisions hereof upon a referendum vote of a majority of the qualified voters voting thereon; providing for assessments for highway purposes, for the performance of labor on highways and the commutation therefor, and to prescribe penalties, forfeitures and general duties of overseers," approved June 8, 1913, by amending sections 20, 22, 30 and 39 of said chapter 25, being said sections of said Act No. 266, providing the payment by person assessed, of one dollar fifty cents for each day of work that said person refused or neglected to work after due notice, providing an offset of one day of work against the assessment for each one dollar fifty cents collected in an action against the person assessed, providing a minimum width of road grade and providing that each day of labor be estimated at one dollar and fifty cents is estimating all arrearages of labor.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Education, by Mr. Symonds, Chairman, reported House bill No. 57, entitled

A bill to amend section 4 of Act No. 65 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to provide for the payment of tuition in and transportation to another district of children who have completed the eighth grade in any school district; and to repeal Act No. 190 of the Public Acts of 1903 and all other acts and parts of acts in any wise contravening the provisions of this act."

With the following amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in and that when so amended the bill pass:

1. Amend by inserting in line 7 of section 1, after the word "act" the words "as amended by Act No. 14 of the Public Acts of 1911."

2. Amend by striking out of line 2 of section 4 the word "giving" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "devoting."

3. Amend by striking out of line 4 of section 4 the word "giving" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "devoting."

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the amendments to the bill recommended by the committee,

The amendments were adopted.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting Senate bill No. 37 (file No. 48), entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the State Highway Department for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1916, to meet a deficiency in the appropriation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1915, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Roads and Bridges.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Place introduced

House bill No. 123, entitled

A bill to amend section 7 of Act No. 206 of the Public Acts of 1893, entitled "An act to provide for the assessment of property and the levy and collection of taxes thereon, and for the collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied; making such taxes a lien on the lands taxed; establishing and continuing such lien; providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes; and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the State, and not redeemed or purchased; and to repeal Act No. 200 of the Public Acts of 1891, and all other acts or parts of acts in anywise contravening any of the provisions of this act," being section 7 of chapter 98 and compiler's section 3830 of the

Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by Act No. 309 of the Public Acts of 1909, as amended by Act No. 174 of the Public Acts of 1911, and to repeal all acts or parts of acts contravening the provisions of this act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on General Taxation.

Mr. Newel Smith introduced

House bill No. 124, entitled

A bill to regulate the sale of cocaine, morphine, opium, codeine, heroin, or salts thereof, and all other hypnotic or narcotic or so-called habit-forming drugs or any synthetic substitute for the same, and providing penalties for violations of such regulations prescribed.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Public Health.

Mr. Moore introduced

House bill No. 125, entitled

A bill to amend section 28 of Act No. 182 of the Public Acts of 1885, entitled "An act to provide for the appointment of a State Live Stock Sanitary Commission and a State Veterinarian, and to prescribe their powers and duties, and to prevent and suppress contagious and infectious diseases among the live stock of the State," as last amended by Act No. 199 of the Public Acts of 1913, and to add four new sections thereto to stand as sections 29, 30, 31 and 32; relative to the suppression of hog cholera.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Mr. Daigneau introduced

House bill No. 126, entitled

A bill to amend section 3 of Act No. 193 of the Public Acts of 1895, as amended by Act No. 118 of the Public Acts of 1897, same being compiler's section 5112 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by Act No. 162 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to prohibit and prevent adulteration, fraud and deception in the manufacture and sale of articles of food and drink."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Horticulture.

Mr. Lewis introduced

House bill No. 127, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of Act No. 235 of the Public Acts of 1911, entitled "An act to provide for the payment and reimbursement by counties in certain cases upon application therefor of expenses incurred in the burial of the bodies of army nurses, honorably discharged soldiers, sailors or marines, or the wives or widows of said soldiers, sailors or marines, and to repeal Act No. 252 of the Public Acts of 1909," approved June 2, 1909.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. Lewis introduced

House bill No. 128, entitled

A bill to amend section 7 of Act No. 171 of the Public Acts of 1903, entitled "An act for the incorporation of associations not for pecuniary profit."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. Griggs introduced

House bill No. 129, entitled

A bill to amend section 17 of Act No. 275 of the Public Acts of 1911, entitled "An act to provide for the protection of game and birds, to regulate the taking, possession, use and transportation of the same, to prohibit the sale thereof, to regulate the manner of hunting, pursuing and killing game or birds, to provide a penalty for the violation of any of the provisions of this act, and to repeal inconsistent acts and parts of acts," approved May 2, 1911, as last amended by Act No. 167 of the Public Acts of 1913; to prohibit the killing of more than one deer by any one person in any calendar year.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Griggs introduced

House bill No. 130, entitled

A bill to provide that all wagons, carriages, motor vehicles, sleds, sleighs and other conveyances shall be of standard tread.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Roads and Bridges.

Mr. Newel Smith introduced

House bill No. 131, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 3, section 3 of chapter 4, section 1 of chapter 5, section 1 of chapter 7 and section 1 of chapter 8, and to add one new section to chapter 9 of Act No. 254 of the Public Acts of 1897, entitled "An act to provide for the construction and maintenance of drains, and the assessment and collection of taxes therefor, and to repeal all other laws relative thereto," being sections 4319, 4342, 4344, 4371 and 4379 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Drainage.

Mr. Sly introduced

House bill No. 132, entitled

A bill to make an appropriation for the Mackinac Island State Park and for the Michilimackinac State Park for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Olmsted introduced

House bill No. 133, entitled

A bill to amend section 28 and section 29 of Act No. 278 of the Public

Acts of 1907, entitled "An act to organize a State Psychopathic Hospital, to provide for the management thereof and making an appropriation therefor, and to repeal Act 161 of the Public Acts of 1901, and Act 140 of the Public Acts of 1905."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Psychopathic Hospital.

Mr. Whiteley introduced

House bill No. 134, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 7 of Act No. 3 of the Public Acts of 1895, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation of villages within the State of Michigan, and defining their powers and duties," being section 2769 of the Compiled Laws of 1897; to empower villages to regulate, tax and license saloons.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Village Corporations.

Mr. Watkins introduced

House bill No. 135, entitled

A bill to amend Act No. 7 of the Public Acts, Second Special Session of 1912, entitled "An act to provide for the erection of armories and making an appropriation therefor," by adding a section thereto to stand as section 4.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. Ashley introduced

House joint resolution No. 4.

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to section 7 of Article VIII of the Constitution of Michigan, relative to the abolishing of the boards of supervisors and establishing of boards of county commissioners.

The joint resolution was referred to the Committee on Revision and Amendment of the Constitution.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 65 (file No. 5), entitled

A bill to amend the title, and to add a new section to stand as section 2, of Act No. 311 of the Public Acts of 1905, entitled "An act relative to the cost of bonds to be furnished by State officers," as last amended by Act No. 82 of the Public Acts of 1913.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon
Anderson
Ashley
Averill
Biggerstaff

Mr. Griggs
Haviland
Hinkley
Hopkins
Hulse

Mr. Nank
Nelson
O'Brien
Olmsted
Penney

Mr. Smith, S. J.
Sours
Stevens
Sutton
Symonds

Mr. Chapin	Mr. Jerome, J. D.	Mr. Person	Mr. Tufts
Clark	Jerome, Wm. F.	Petermann	Van Antwerp
Cowan	Jones	Place	Vine
Croll	Kemmerling	Pray	Ward
Culver	Koehler	Quintel	Warner
Daigneau	Lamphere	Reed, C. J.	Watkins
Edwards	Leland	Rice	Weissert
Ewing	Lewis	Robertson	Wells
Flowers	McMillan	Root	Whiteley
Follett	Martin	Schmidt	Wolcott
Ford, R. L.	Martz	Shields	Woodruff
Francis	Matthews	Sly	Wright
Gayde	Miller	Smith, Newel	Speaker
Gettel	Moore		

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Tufts offered the following concurrent resolution:

House concurrent resolution No. 10.

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That a special committee consisting of five Representatives, to be appointed by the Speaker of the House, and three Senators, to be appointed by the President of the Senate, is hereby authorized, and whose duty it shall be, to make a thorough investigation into the subject of detention homes for short term prisoners, conducted along the lines of the Detroit House of Correction, to report to the Legislature the result of their findings at the earliest possible time, together with their recommendations relative to the establishment of a State home or homes of detention for all prisoners whose terms of sentence shall not exceed six months, and be it further

Resolved, That said committee is hereby authorized to incur any necessary expense in carrying out the purposes of these resolutions.

The Speaker announced that under Rule 50 the resolution would lie over one day.

Mr. Nelson made written request for the printing of House bill No. 89, entitled

A bill to amend section 25 of chapter 3 of Act No. 164 of the Public Acts of 1881, entitled "An act to revise and consolidate the laws relating to public instruction and primary schools, and to repeal all statutes and acts contravening the provisions of this act," being section 4691 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as last amended by Act No. 218 of the Public Acts of 1911.

The request was referred to the Committee on Printing.

Mr. Stevens made written request for the printing of House bill No. 29, entitled

A bill to provide for the establishment and maintenance in this State of a State house of correction at or near the village of Lake City, in the county of Missaukee; for the confinement of convicted persons therein;

for the government and discipline thereof; to make appropriations therefor; and to repeal Act No. 356 of the Public Acts of 1913, approved May 13, 1913.

The request was referred to the Committee on Printing.

Mr. Martz made written request for the printing of House bill No. 119, entitled

A bill to amend section 7 of Act No. 206 of the Public Acts of 1893, entitled "An act to provide for the assessment of property and the levy and collection of taxes thereon, and for the collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied; making such taxes a lien on the lands taxed; establishing and continuing such lien, providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes, and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the State and not redeemed or purchased; and to repeal Act No. 200 of the Public Acts of 1891, and all other acts or parts of acts in anywise contravening any of the provisions of this act," being section 7 of chapter 98, and Compiler's section 3830 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by Act No. 309 of the Public Acts of 1909, and as amended by Act No. 174 of the Public Acts of 1911.

The request was referred to the Committee on Printing.

GENERAL ORDERS OF THE DAY.

Mr. Koehler moved that the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole on the general orders.

The motion prevailed.

The Speaker called Mr. Koehler to the chair.

After a time spent in the consideration of bills upon the general orders, the committee rose, and, through its chairman, made a report recommending the passage, without amendment, of the following entitled bill:

House bill No. 68 (file No. 12), entitled

A bill to authorize the common council of cities of the fourth class to provide by ordinance for the establishment of central places of registration of the electors of said city.

The bill was placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills for consideration on or after Thursday, February 11.

The Committee of the Whole reported progress on

House bill No. 74 (file No. 16), entitled

A bill to amend Act 266 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to amend Act No. 283 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled 'An act to revise, consolidate and add to the laws relating to the establishment, opening, improvement, maintenance and use of the public highways and private roads, the condemnation of property and gravel therefor; the building, repairing and preservation of bridges, setting and protecting shade trees, drainage, cutting weeds and brush within this State, and providing for the election and defining the powers, duties and compensation of State,

county, township and district highway officials,' approved June 2, 1909, by adding thereto a new chapter to be known as chapter 25, providing for the repair and improvement of highways by means of assessment of statute labor, for the election of overseers of highways, prescribing the qualifications and duties thereof, providing for carrying the same into effect, and prescribing the conditions under which the same shall supersede all provisions inconsistent therewith; and enabling townships to adopt or repeal the provisions hereof upon a referendum vote of a majority of the qualified voters voting thereon; providing for assessments for highway purposes, for the performance of labor on highways and the commutation therefor, and to prescribe penalties, forfeitures and general duties of overseers," approved June 8, 1913, by amending sections 20, 22, 30 and 39 of said chapter 25, being said sections of said Act No. 266, providing the payment by person assessed, of one dollar fifty cents for each day of work that said person refused or neglected to work after due notice, providing an offset of one day of work against the assessment for each one dollar fifty cents collected in an action against the person assessed, providing a minimum width of road grade and providing that each day of labor be estimated at one dollar and fifty cents in estimating all arrearages of labor.

Recommending that the bill be given further consideration.

The recommendation was concurred in, and the committee was given leave to further consider the bill.

Mr. Newel Smith asked and obtained a leave of absence from tomorrow's session.

Mr. Biggerstaff moved that the House adjourn.

The motion prevailed, the time being 10:08 o'clock p. m.

The Speaker declared the House adjourned until tomorrow at 2 o'clock p. m.

CHARLES S. PIERCE,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.

TWENTY-SECOND DAY.

Lansing, Tuesday, February 9.

2 o'clock p. m.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

Religious exercises were conducted by Rev. H. J. Simpson, of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, of Lansing.

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk, who announced that a quorum was present.

Messrs. Daprato, Ormsbee, Newel Smith and Wiley were absent with leave.

Messrs. Ransom L. Ford, Keen, Oakley, Thomas Read and Rogers were absent without leave.

Mr. Hinkley moved that Mr. Ransom L. Ford be excused from today's session.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Whiteley moved that Mr. Thomas Read be excused from today's session.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Jones moved that Mr. Oakley be excused from today's session.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Van Antwerp moved that Mr. Rogers be excused from today's session.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Olmsted asked and obtained a leave of absence for the members of the Committee on State Psychopathic Hospital from tomorrow's session.

Mr. Kemmerling moved that Mr. Keen be excused from today's session and for the balance of the week.

The motion prevailed.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

Mr. Sutton presented

Petition No. 80.

Petition of E. W. Ball and 23 other citizens of Ann Arbor, Washtenaw county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Martin presented

Petition No. 81.

Petition of G. T. Reynolds and 60 other citizens of Corunna, Shiawassee county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Martin presented

Petition No. 82.

Petition of E. O. Dewey and 38 other citizens of Owosso, Shiawassee county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Schmidt presented

Petition No. 83.

Petition of C. W. Graves and 29 other citizens of Marion, Osceola county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Gettel presented

Petition No. 84.

Petition of Frank Farmer and 40 other citizens of Huron county, in favor of the present deer hunting law.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Amon presented

Petition No. 85.

Petition of A. S. Harrison and 52 other citizens of Mecosta county, in favor of the present deer hunting law.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Martin presented

Petition No. 86.

Petition of C. E. Chalker and 84 other citizens of Bancroft, Shiawassee county, in favor in the present automobile tax law.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Roads and Bridges.

Mr. Martin presented

Petition No. 87.

Petition of B. C. Miller and 25 other citizens of Owosso, Shiawassee county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Kooyers presented

Petition No. 88.

Resolutions adopted by Western Pomona Grange No. 19, of Herrington, Ottawa county, protesting against any attempt to reduce the usefulness of the Michigan Agricultural College through legislation, which would tend to cripple such College in any way, and especially by the discontinuing of the Department of Mechanical Arts.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on Agricultural College.

Mr. Ross presented

Petition No. 89.

Petition of Claud B. Culver and 43 other citizens of Livingston county, in favor of the present deer hunting law.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Chapin presented

Petition No. 90.

Petition of George Irwin and 40 other citizens of Antrim county, in favor of the present deer hunting law.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Matthews presented

Petition No. 91.

Resolutions adopted by Berrien County Pomona Grange No. 1, protesting against any increase in the passenger rates charged by the railroads of the State; and favoring sufficient appropriation for the Michigan Agricultural College as will permit carrying on their work successfully.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on Agricultural College.

Mr. Warner presented

Petition No. 92.

Petition of G. W. Lane and 41 other citizens of Ionia county, in favor of the present deer hunting law.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Anderson presented

Petition No. 93.

Petition of Frank Conklin and 43 other citizens of Benzie and Leelanau counties, in favor of the present deer hunting law.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Wright presented

Petition No. 94.

Petition of Christ. Brown and 53 other citizens of Dundee, Monroe county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Judiciary, by Mr. Flowers, Chairman, reported
House bill No. 108, entitled

A bill to create a commission to investigate the causes and effects of commercialized prostitution and to recommend to the Legislature and to the public ways and means of combatting this vice and its attendant evils, to the end that the health and morals of the people of the State shall be conserved and protected.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Judiciary, by Mr. Flowers, Chairman, reported
House bill No. 20, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of Act No. 195 of the Public Acts of Michigan for the year 1879, being an act defining the powers and duties of prosecuting attorneys, being section 2569 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

With the following amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in and that when so amended the bill pass:

1. Amend by striking out of line 5 of section 1 the words "a special" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "an assistant."

2. Amend by striking out of lines 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9 of section 1 the words "and the circuit judge may, in case of the disability of the prosecuting attorney to perform his duties, appoint some suitable person to perform the duties of prosecuting attorney during the disability of the prosecuting attorney" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "and the prosecuting attorney may, under the direction of the court, in case of disability of the prosecuting attorney, appoint an assistant to perform his duties during the disability of the prosecuting attorney."

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the amendments to the bill recommended by the committee,

The amendments were adopted.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Agriculture, by Mr. Schmidt, Chairman, reported
House bill No. 125, entitled

A bill to amend section 28 of Act No. 182 of the Public Acts of 1885, entitled "An act to provide for the appointment of a State Live Stock Sanitary Commission and a State Veterinarian, and to prescribe their powers and duties, and to prevent and suppress contagious and infectious

diseases among the live stock of the State," as last amended by Act No. 199 of the Public Acts of 1913, and to add four new sections thereto to stand as sections 29, 30, 31 and 32; relative to the suppression of hog cholera.

With the following amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in and that when so amended the bill pass:

1. Amend by inserting in line 5 of section 29, after the word "industry" the words "such serum may be used or administered by any competent person authorized by the State Live Stock Sanitary Commission."

2. Amend by inserting in line 9 of section 29, after the word "serum" the words "or virus."

3. Amend by striking out all of section 29 after the word "hogs" in line 10.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the amendments to the bill recommended by the committee,

The amendments were adopted.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Agriculture, by Mr. Schmidt, Chairman, reported House bill No. 106, entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of Act 243 of the Public Acts of 1903 as amended by Act No. 119 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act in relation to the manufacture and sale of renovated butter."

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on State House of Correction and Branch of the State Prison in the Upper Peninsula, by Mr. Follett, Chairman, reported House bill No. 91, entitled

A bill making appropriation for the purchase of land for the use of the State House of Correction and Branch Prison in the Upper Peninsula, for farming purposes, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Follett introduced

House bill No. 136, entitled

A bill to amend Act No. 184 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to regulate the business of selling farm products on commission, providing all commission merchants dealing in farm products shall be licensed, to provide against and punish fraud and deception in the sale of farm products on commission, and defining the duties of the State Dairy and Food Commissioner relative thereto," by adding thereto a new section to be known as section 11.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Mr. Koehler introduced

House bill No. 137, entitled

A bill to amend section 10 of Act 232 of the Public Acts of 1903, entitled "An act to revise and consolidate the laws providing for the incorporation of manufacturing and mercantile companies, or any union of the two, and for the incorporation of companies for carrying on any other lawful business, except such as are precluded from organization under this act by its express provisions, and to prescribe the powers and fix the duties and liabilities of such corporations."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. Martz introduced

House bill No. 138, entitled

A bill to amend section 14 of Act 146 of the laws of 1857, entitled "An act to provide for the organization of the Supreme Court, pursuant to section 2 of article VI of the Constitution," as amended by Act No. 182 of the Public Acts of 1893, being section 186 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as last amended by Act No. 102 of the Public Acts of 1913.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. William F. Jerome introduced

House bill No. 139, entitled

A bill to coordinate the health service of the State; to provide for the creation of health inspection districts; the appointment of district health commissioners; to prescribe their powers, duties and compensation; and to prescribe punishment for violations of the provisions of this act; and authorizing the appropriation of necessary funds to carry out the provisions of this act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Public Health.

Mr. William F. Jerome introduced

House bill No. 140, entitled

A bill to provide free hospital service and medical and surgical treatment for persons afflicted with a malady or deformity which can be benefited by hospital treatment, who are unable to pay for such care and treatment, and for pregnant women unable to pay for such care and treatment and for the children of such pregnant women born during the period of hospital care, and providing for the expense thereof, and prescribing the jurisdiction of the probate court in said cases, and to repeal Act No. 274 of the Public Acts of 1913.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Public Health.

Mr. Flowers introduced

House bill No. 141, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of Act No. 135 of the Public Acts of 1909,

entitled "An act authorizing the appointment of certain officers for the Supreme Court," approved May 26, 1909.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Moore introduced

House bill No. 142, entitled

A bill to provide for the simplifying of the transfer of real estate, being a bill to provide for the determination, establishment and registration of land titles and the certification thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Schmidt introduced

House bill No. 143, entitled

A bill to provide a method of voting at any general or primary election by electors in the actual military service of the United States or of this State, or in the army or navy thereof, in time of war, insurrection or rebellion, by members of the Legislature while in attendance at any session of the Legislature, by students while in attendance at any institution of learning, and by commercial travelers absent from their place of residence upon the day of any general or primary election.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Elections.

Mr. Wood introduced

House bill No. 144, entitled

A bill prescribing vacations for persons regularly employed in the Michigan State Prison, the State House of Correction and Branch of the State Prison in the Upper Peninsula, and the Michigan Reformatory.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Labor.

Mr. Warner introduced

House bill No. 145, entitled

A bill to regulate the sale of stocks, bonds, and other corporate securities, to define dealers therein, and to provide for the licensing of such dealers.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to to the Committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. Sours introduced

House bill No. 146, entitled

A bill to authorize township boards, boards of trustees of villages, and common councils of cities to refuse to approve any and all applications for license presented to them for their approval by any person, firm or corporation proposing to engage in the business of selling or offering for sale spirituous or intoxicating liquors by retail.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Frank A. Smith introduced

House bill No. 147, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of Act No. 262 of the Public Acts of 1897, entitled "An act to require township boards to make and publish annually an itemized statement of the condition of the finances of the township, in relation to the receipts and disbursements made by the township board," being compiler's section 2350 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Towns and Counties.

Mr. Bosch introduced

House bill No. 148, entitled

A bill to allow township boards to suppress saloons for the sale of intoxicating liquors by resolution.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

The Speaker laid before the House the following concurrent resolution, offered yesterday by Mr. Tufts, and under rule 50 laid over one day:

House concurrent resolution No. 10.

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That a special committee consisting of five Representatives, to be appointed by the Speaker of the House, and three Senators, to be appointed by the President of the Senate, is hereby authorized, and whose duty it shall be, to make a thorough investigation into the subject of detention homes for short term prisoners, conducted along the lines of the Detroit House of Correction, to report to the Legislature the result of their findings at the earliest possible time, together with their recommendations relative to the establishment of a State home or homes of detention for all prisoners whose terms of sentence shall not exceed six months, and be it further

Resolved, That said committee is hereby authorized to incur any necessary expense in carrying out the purposes of these resolutions.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

The resolution was adopted.

Mr. Culver offered the following resolution:

House resolution No. 26.

Whereas, The portrait of Governor Hazen S. Pingree at the time of its presentation to the State was placed in an inconspicuous corner of the executive chamber; and

Whereas, It is the sense of this House that said portrait should most fittingly have a place upon the walls of this House; therefore, be it

Resolved, That a respectful request be and is hereby made to the Governor to permit said portrait to be transferred from its present location to one of the wall panels of this House, and that after obtaining such consent, the Sergeant-at-arms be and is hereby directed to effect

such transfer and have said portrait placed in accordance with this resolution.

The resolution was adopted.

Mr. Daigneau offered the following resolution:

House resolution No. 27.

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the Attorney General, at his earliest convenience, be respectfully requested to communicate to the House his opinion relative to the following question: Has the Legislature of the State of Michigan the right under the Constitution to delegate to the Railway Commission of the State, the authority to regulate the rates for carrying passengers on railway lines within the State?

The resolution was adopted.

Mr. Thomas Read entered the House and took his seat.

GENERAL ORDERS OF THE DAY.

Mr. Ashley moved that the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole on the general orders.

The motion prevailed.

The Speaker called Mr. Ashley to the chair.

After a time spent in the consideration of bills upon the general orders, the committee rose, and, the Speaker pro tem. having assumed the Chair, through its chairman, made a report recommending the passage, without amendment, of the following entitled bills:

House bill No. 62 (file No. 13), entitled

A bill to amend section 18 of chapter 9 of Act No. 3 of the Public Acts of 1895, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation of villages within the State of Michigan, and defining their powers and duties," said section being section 2869 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

The bill was placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills for consideration on or after Thursday, February 11.

And

House bill No. 64 (file No. 14), entitled

A bill to amend section 35 of Act 206 of the Public Acts of 1893, being "An act to provide for assessment of property and levy and collection of taxes thereon; and for collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied; making such taxes a lien on the lands taxed; establishing and continuing such lien, providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes, and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the State and not redeemed or purchased; and to repeal Act No. 200 of the Public Acts of 1891 and all other acts and parts of acts in anywise contravening any of the provisions of this act," being section 3858 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

The bill was placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills for consideration on or after Saturday, February 13.

The Committee of the Whole reported
House bill No. 66 (file No. 15), entitled

A bill to amend section 84 of Act 206 of the Public Acts of 1893, being "An act to provide for the assessment of property and the levy and collection of taxes thereon, and for the collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied; making such taxes a lien on the lands taxed, establishing and continuing such lien, providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes, and for the inspection and disposition of land bid off to the State and not redeemed or purchased; and to repeal Act 200 of the Public Acts of 1891 and all other acts and parts of acts in anywise contravening any of the provisions of this act," being section 3907 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by Act 262 of the Public Acts of 1899.

Recommending the adoption of the following amendment thereto, and the passage of the bill when so amended:

1. Amend by striking out of line 17 of section 84 the word "to" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "of."

The question being on the adoption of the proposed amendment made by the committee,

The amendment was adopted and the bill was placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills for consideration on or after Saturday, February 13.

And

House bill No. 74 (file No. 16), entitled

A bill to amend Act 266 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to amend Act No. 283 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled 'An act to revise, consolidate, and add to the laws relating to the establishment, opening, improvement, maintenance, and use of the public highways and private roads; the condemnation of property and gravel therefor; the building, repairing and preservation of bridges; setting and protecting shade trees; drainage; cutting weeds and brush within this State, and providing for the election and defining the powers, duties and compensation of State, county, township and district highway officials,' approved June 2, 1909, by adding thereto a new chapter to be known as chapter 25, providing for the repair and improvement of highways by means of assessment of statute labor; for the election of overseers of highways; prescribing the qualifications and duties thereof; providing for carrying the same into effect; and prescribing the conditions under which the same shall supersede all provisions inconsistent therewith; and enabling townships to adopt or repeal the provisions hereof, upon a referendum vote of a majority of the qualified voters voting thereon; providing for assessments for highway purposes; for the performance of labor on highways, and the commutation therefor; and to prescribe penalties, forfeitures, and general duties of overseers," approved June 8, 1913, by amending sections 20, 22, 30 and 39 of said chapter 25, being said sections of said Act No. 266, providing the payment by person assessed of one dollar fifty cents for each day of work that said person refused or neglected to work after due notice; providing an offset of one day of work against the assessment for each one dollar fifty cents collected in

an action against the person assessed; providing a minimum width of road grade; and providing that each day of labor be estimated at one dollar and fifty cents in estimating all arrearages of labor.

Recommending the adoption of the following amendments thereto, and the passage of the bill when so amended:

1. Amend by striking out of line 8 of section 30 the word "eighteen" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "sixteen."

2. Amend by striking out of line 9 of section 30 the word "or" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "nor."

The question being on the adoption of the proposed amendments made by the committee,

The amendments were adopted and the bill was placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills, for consideration on or after Saturday, February 13.

Mr. Tufts moved that the House adjourn.

The motion prevailed, the time being 3:09 o'clock p. m.

The Speaker declared the House adjourned until tomorrow at 2:00 o'clock p. m.

CHARLES S. PIERCE,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.

TWENTY-THIRD DAY.

Lansing, Wednesday, February 10.

2 o'clock p. m.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

Religious exercises were conducted by Rev. James S. Williamson of the Plymouth Congregational Church, of Lansing.

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk, who announced that a quorum was present.

Messrs. Follett, Keen, Martz, Olmsted and Wiley were absent with leave.

Messrs. Evens, Foote, Griggs and Kooyers were absent without leave.

Mr. Daprato moved that Mr. Evens be excused from today's session. The motion prevailed.

Mr. Wieland moved that Mr. Griggs be excused from today's session. The motion prevailed.

Mr. Petermann asked and obtained an indefinite leave of absence for Mr. Foote.

Mr. Henry moved that all the other absentees be excused from today's session.

The motion prevailed.

By unanimous consent

Mr. Tufts offered the following concurrent resolution:

House concurrent resolution No. 11.

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That when the Legislature adjourns on Thursday, February 11th, it stand adjourned until Monday, February 15th, at 9:00 o'clock p. m.

The Speaker announced that under Rule 50 the resolution would lie over one day.

Mr. Tufts moved that Rule 50 be suspended.

The motion prevailed, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,
The resolution was adopted.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

Mr. Sherman presented

Petition No. 95.

Petition of B. T. Bearss and 47 other citizens of Tuscola county, in favor of the present deer hunting law.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Evens presented

Petition No. 96.

Petition of W. A. Benjamin and 16 other barbers of Coldwater, Branch county, requesting the repeal of Act No. 387 of the Public Acts of 1913, relative to establishing a Board of Examiners of Barbers, and regulating said occupation.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Public Health.

Mr. Evens presented

Petition No. 97.

Petition of C. M. Payne and 4 other barbers of Bronson, Branch county, requesting the repeal of Act No. 387 of the Public Acts of 1913, relative to establishing a Board of Examiners of Barbers, and regulating said occupation.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Public Health.

Mr. Vine presented

Petition No. 98.

Resolutions adopted by Morenci Grange No. 280, of Morenci, Lenawee county, favoring an increased mill tax for the Michigan Agricultural College.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on Agricultural College.

Mr. Martin presented

Petition No. 99.

Petition of Grant Wright and 30 other citizens of Owosso, Shiawassee county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Ewing presented

Petition No. 100.

Petition of Peter Kremer and 703 other citizens of Marquette county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the Upper Peninsula.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Weissert presented

Petition No. 101.

Petition of A. M. Herrington and 47 other citizens of Freeport, Barry county, in favor of the present deer hunting law.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Martin presented

Petition No. 102.

Petition of Fred Welch and 81 other citizens of Owosso, Shiawassee county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Sours presented

Petition No. 103.

Resolutions adopted by Grand Traverse Grange No. 379, of Grand Traverse county, opposing any change in appropriations made for the Michigan Agricultural College; opposing increased passenger rates charged by the railroads of the State, and favoring the straight Australian ballot system.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Bosch presented

Petition No. 104.

Petition of Ora Ives and 48 other teachers of Ottawa county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 64, relative to a retirement fund for teachers.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Newel Smith presented

Petition No. 105.

Petition of Hankins Brothers and 84 other citizens of Gratiot county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Sours presented

Petition No. 106.

Resolutions adopted by the "Committee of 21" of Traverse City, declaring that the members of the Legislature are more competent to judge the merits of an increased passenger rate for the railroads of the State, and leaving the determination thereof to the best judgment of the Legislature.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on Railroads.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY CLERK OF PRINTING OF BILLS.

The Clerk announced that the following named bills had been printed and placed upon the files of the members Tuesday, February 9:

House bill No. 30 (file No. 17), entitled

A bill to define what shall constitute partnerships; the relation of partners to persons dealing with the partnership; the relation of partners to one another; to provide for the dissolution and winding up of partnerships; and to make uniform the law relating thereto.

House bill No. 55 (file No. 18), entitled

A bill to provide for the registration, identification, and regulation of motor vehicles operated upon the public highways of this State and of the operators of such vehicles, and to provide for levying specific taxes upon such vehicles so operated and registering certain operators thereof, and to provide for the disposition of such funds, and to provide for other means of taxation of motor vehicles so operated, and to repeal all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith or contrary hereto.

House bill No. 15 (file No. 19), entitled

A bill to provide for the assessment and the collection of a specific annual tax upon the class of credits founded upon and evidenced by mortgages and liens upon real property, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in contravention thereto.

The Clerk announced that the following named bills had been printed and placed upon the files of the members Wednesday, February 10:

House bill No. 61 (file No. 20), entitled

A bill to promote the safety of travelers and employes upon the railroads operating in the State of Michigan, by limiting the length of trains operated by common carriers, and providing a penalty for the violation of this act.

House bill No. 75 (file No. 21), entitled

A bill providing for the security of depositors in the incorporated banks of Michigan; creating the bank depositors' guaranty fund of the State of Michigan, and providing regulations therefor and penalties for the violation thereof.

House bill No. 14 (file No. 22), entitled

A bill to amend section 4 of Act No. 205 of the Public Acts of 1887, entitled "An act to revise the laws authorizing the business of banking, and to establish a Banking Department for the supervision of such business," being section 6093 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by Act No. 11 of the Public Acts of 1913, to enable State banks to become member banks under the federal reserve act.

House bill No. 56 (file No. 23), entitled

A bill to amend section 5 of Act No. 147 of the Public Acts of 1891, entitled "An act to provide for the election of a county commissioner of schools, for the appointment of school examiners, and to define the duties and fix the compensation for the same, and to repeal all existing acts or parts of acts conflicting with the provisions of this act," being compiler's section 4812 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as last amended by Act No. 231 of the Public Acts of 1913.

House bill No. 52 (file No. 24), entitled

A bill to amend sections 1, 2 and 3 of Act No. 144 of the Public Acts of 1901, entitled "An act to provide for the establishment and maintenance of rural high schools," approved May 21, 1901, as last amended by Act No. 97 of the Public Acts of 1909; to permit of the discontinuance of any rural high school established under the provisions of said act.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on State Affairs, by Mr. James D. Jerome, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 122, entitled

A bill to amend section 4 of Act No. 257 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to regulate the construction and operation of moving picture shows and theatres showing moving pictures, in which celluloid films are used, to provide for an inspection fee for operating the same, and to place supervision of such shows and theatres under the department of the State Fire Marshal," approved May 7, 1913, to permit the holding of moving picture exhibitions above the first or main floor in fire-proof buildings.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Roads and Bridges, by Mr. Daprato, Chairman, reported

Senate bill No. 37 (file No. 48), entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the State Highway Department for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1916, to meet a deficiency in the appropriation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1915, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The Committee on Elections, by Mr. Palmer, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 115, entitled

A bill to repeal Act No. 1 of the Session Laws of 1869, as amended, entitled "An act to designate the time and provide the manner of electing United States senators," being sections 1144, 1145, 1146 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Elections, by Mr. Palmer, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 121, entitled

A bill to amend section 16 of Act No. 281 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act relative to the nomination of party candidates for public office and delegates to political conventions; to regulate primary elections and to prescribe penalties for violations of its provisions; and to provide for the printing upon election ballots of the names of candidates nominated under the terms of this act; and to repeal Act No. 4 of the Public Acts of the Extra Session of the year 1907, and all local primary election acts contravening the provisions of this act, except as in this act otherwise provided," approved June 2, 1909, as last amended by Act No. 118 of the Public Acts of 1913; relative to the nomination of candidates for United States senator.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on State Library, by Mr. Sheridan Ford, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 38, entitled

A bill to provide for the purchase of books for the Michigan State Library and books and equipment for the Michigan traveling libraries, and for printing and binding, making an appropriation therefor and providing a tax to meet the same.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The Committee on State Library, by Mr. Sheridan Ford, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 37, entitled

A bill to provide for the preservation in the State library of all reports, bulletins, pamphlets and other publications issued by any department of the State government.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Fish and Fisheries, by Mr. McMillan, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 31, entitled

A bill to repeal Act No. 87 of the Public Acts of 1907, entitled "An act to prohibit the spearing of fish in any of the public streams or rivers in certain townships of VanBuren County," subject to a referendum to the electors of each township affected before this act becomes effective in such township.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Towns and Counties, by Mr. Haviland, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 8 (file No. 3), entitled

A bill to amend sections 1 and 2 of Act No. 91, of the Session Laws of 1839, entitled "An act to provide for the recording of town plats, and for vacating the same in certain cases," being compiler's sections 3372 and 3373 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as last amended by Act No. 297 of the Public Acts of 1913.

With the following amendment thereto, recommending that the amendment be concurred in and that when so amended the bill pass:

1. Amend by inserting in line 68 of section 1 after the word "plat" the words "or part of plat or parts of plats."

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the amendment to the bill recommended by the committee,

The amendment was adopted.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Revision and Amendment of the Constitution, by Mr. Ashley, Chairman, reported

House joint resolution No. 2, entitled

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to article 8 of the Constitution of this State, by adding a new section thereto, to stand as section 15a of said article, authorizing drainage districts to issue bonds for drainage purposes.

With the following amendment thereto, recommending that the amendment be concurred in and that when so amended the joint resolution pass:

1. Amend by striking out of line 5 the words "Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring)" and insert in lieu thereof the words "Resolved by the Senate and the House of Representatives of the State of Michigan."

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the amendment to the joint resolution recommended by the committee,

The amendment was adopted.

The resolution was then ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Agriculture, by Mr. Schmidt, Chairman, reported House bill No. 136, entitled

A bill to amend Act No. 184 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to regulate the business of selling farm products on commission; providing all commission merchants dealing in farm products shall be licensed; to provide against and punish fraud and deception in the sale of farm products on commission; and defining the duties of the State Dairy and Food Commissioner relative thereto," by adding thereto a new section to be known as section 2.

With the following amendment thereto, recommending that the amendment be concurred in and that when so amended the bill pass:

1. Amend by adding after the word "both" in line 9 of section 2 the words "in the discretion of the court."

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the amendment to the bill recommended by the committee,

The amendment was adopted.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Newberry State Hospital, by Mr. Ewing, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 59, entitled

A bill making appropriations for the Newberry State Hospital at Newberry, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1916, for buildings and special purposes and to provide a tax to meet the same.

With the following amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in and that when so amended the bill pass:

1. Amend by striking out the words "for coal trestle and shed" in line 8 of section 1, and striking out the words "sixteen thousand one hundred sixteen dollars" in line 9 of section 1.

2. Amend by striking out the word "seven" in line 2 of section 1 and inserting in lieu thereof the word "three."

3. Amend by striking out the words "for vacuum system of heating" in line 2 of section 1 and striking out the words "twenty-eight thousand dollars" in line 12 of section 1.

4. Amend by striking out the words "one hundred sixty-five thousand and" in line 2 of section 1 and inserting in lieu thereof the words "one hundred sixteen thousand nine hundred dollars" and striking out the words "sixteen dollars" in line 3 of section 1.

5. Amend by striking out the word "one" in line 2 of section 4 and striking out the words "hundred sixty-five thousand and sixteen dollars" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "one hundred sixteen thousand nine hundred dollars" in line 3 of section 4.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the amendments to the bill recommended by the committee,

The amendments were adopted.

The bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The Committee on Printing, by Mr. VanAntwerp, Chairman, reported The written request of Mr. Woodruff for the printing of House bill No. 4, entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of Act No. 97 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to regulate the taking of fish in the waters of Lakes Superior, Michigan, Huron and Erie, the bays thereof and the connecting waters between said lakes, within the jurisdiction of this State, and to regulate the transportation, sale and possession of fish taken from said waters."

With the recommendation that the request be granted.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the recommendation of the committee,

The recommendation was concurred in and the bill ordered printed.

The Committee on Printing, by Mr. VanAntwerp, Chairman, reported The written request of Mr. Rice for the printing of House bill No. 70, entitled

A bill to provide for the organization, operation and supervision of fire insurance rate making bureaus; to provide for a review of any rates fixed by any such bureau for fire insurance upon property in this State; to prohibit discrimination in such rates, and to regulate all agreements between fire insurance companies or their agents affecting such rates.

With the recommendation that the request be granted.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the recommendation of the committee,

The recommendation was concurred in, and the bill ordered printed.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Penney introduced

House bill No. 149, entitled

A bill to amend section 17 of Act 275 of the Public Acts of 1911, entitled "An act to provide for the protection of game and birds; to regulate the taking, possession, use and transportation of the same; to prohibit the sale thereof; to regulate the manner of hunting, pursuing and killing game or birds; to provide a penalty for the violation of any of the provisions of this act, and to repeal inconsistent acts and parts of acts," as amended by Act 167 of the Public Acts of 1913.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Penney introduced

House bill No. 150, entitled

A bill to amend section 9 of Act No. 198 of the Laws of 1873, entitled "An act to revise the laws providing for the incorporation of the railroad, bridge and tunnel companies, and to regulate the running and management, and to fix the duties and liabilities of all railroad, bridge, tunnel and other corporations owning or operating any railroad, bridge, or tunnel within this State," as amended, said section being compiler's section 6234 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Oakley introduced

House bill No. 151, entitled

A bill to amend Act No. 10, Public Acts of 1912, entitled "An act to promote the welfare of the people of this State relating to the liability of employers for injuries or death sustained by their employes; providing compensation for the accidental injury to or death of employes and methods for the payment of the same; establishing an Industrial Accident Board; defining its powers, providing for a review of its awards; making an appropriation to carry out the provisions of this act, and restricting the right to compensation or damages in such cases to such as are provided by this act," approved March 20, 1912, by adding to part 1 thereof a new section to be known as section 9 relative to contractors and adding to part 2 thereof four new sections to be known as sections 23, 24, 25 and 26, providing compensation for occupational diseases and disfigurement, and relative to costs and previous partial disability; and by amending section 7 of part 1, sections 4, 6 and 11 of part 2, section 1 of part 4 and section 3 of part 6.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Labor.

Mr. Koehler introduced

House bill No. 152, entitled

A bill to provide for the reading of the Declaration of Independence in the public schools and colleges of this State.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Palmer introduced

House bill No. 153, entitled

A bill to amend section 14 of Act No. 190 of the Public Acts of 1891, entitled "An act to prescribe the manner of conducting and to prevent fraud and deception at elections in this State," being section 3625 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as last amended by Act No. 214 of the Public Acts of 1901.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Elections.

Mr. William F. Jerome introduced

House bill No. 154, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of Act No. 81 of the Public Acts of 1873, entitled "An act to establish a State Board of Health; to provide for the appointment of a Superintendent of Vital Statistics, and to assign certain duties to local boards of health," the same being section 4397.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Public Health.

Mr. William F. Jerome introduced

House bill No. 155, entitled

A bill to amend section 7 of Act No. 81 of the Laws of Michigan of 1873, entitled "An act to establish a State Board of Health; to provide for the appointment of Superintendent of Vital Statistics, and to assign certain duties to the local boards of health," being compiler's section 4403 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by Act No. 255 of the Public Acts of 1913.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Public Health.

Mr. Person introduced

House bill No. 156, entitled

A bill to amend section 15 of Act No. 207 of the Public Acts of 1889, entitled "An act to prohibit the manufacture, sale, keeping for sale, giving away or furnishing of vinous, malt, brewed, fermented, spirituous or intoxicating liquors, or any mixed liquors or beverages, any part of which is intoxicating, and to prohibit the keeping of any saloon or other place for the manufacture, sale, storing for sale, giving away or furnishing of such liquors or beverages, and to suspend the general laws of this State relative to the taxation and regulation of the manufacture and sale of such liquors in the several counties of this State under certain circumstances; to authorize the qualified electors of the several counties in this State to express their will in regard to such prohibition by an election, and to authorize and empower the board of supervisors of the several counties, after such election, if they shall determine the result to be in favor of such prohibition, to prohibit the manufacture, sale, keeping for sale, giving away or furnishing of the same within their respective counties; and to provide for penalties and rights of action in case of its violation," the same being section 5426 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as last amended by Act No. 170 of the Public Acts of 1903.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Samuel J. Smith introduced
House bill No. 157, entitled

A bill to amend the title and sections 1 and 2 of Act No. 293 of the Public Acts of 1907, entitled "An act permitting the taking of whitefish in the waters of Indian River and Mullett Lake, in the county of Cheboygan," approved June 27, 1907.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Fish and Fisheries.

Mr. Samuel J. Smith introduced
House bill No. 158, entitled

A bill making appropriation for building, equipping and operating a fish hatchery on the shores of Indian River, in Cheboygan county, for hatching brook and rainbow trout and other game fish, for planting in the inland and border waters of the State of Michigan; said fish hatchery to be built, equipped and operated by the State Board of Fish Commissioners, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Fish and Fisheries.

Mr. Oakley introduced
House bill No. 159, entitled

A bill to provide for the payment of the expenses of the State militia by the county or counties to which the State militia dispatched to render military duty, and to provide for the method of the payment thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. Oakley introduced
House bill No. 160, entitled

A bill to prohibit the employment of female help in any foundry of this State, and to provide penalties for a violation thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Labor.

Mr. Green introduced
House bill No. 161, entitled

A bill to amend the title and section 1 of Act 356 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to provide for establishment and maintenance in this State of a State House of Correction at or near the city of Bay City in the county of Bay; for the confinement of convicted persons therein; for the government and discipline thereof, and to make appropriations therefor, and to provide taxes to meet the same," and to add two new sections thereto to stand as sections 16 and 17 of said act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Kemmerling introduced
House bill No. 162, entitled

A bill to amend Act No. 254 of the Public Acts of 1897, as amended, entitled "An act to provide for the construction and maintenance of drains and the assessment and collection of taxes therefor, and to repeal all other laws relative thereto."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Drainage.

Mr. Clarence J. Reed introduced

House bill No. 163, entitled

A bill to amend section 9 of chapter 2 of Act 283 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to revise, consolidate and add to the laws relating to the establishment, opening, improvement, maintenance and use of the public highways and private roads; the condemnation of property and gravel therefor; the building, repairing and preservation of bridges; setting and protecting shade trees; drainage; cutting weeds and brush within this State, and providing for the election and defining the powers, duties and compensation of the State, county, township and district highway officials."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Roads and Bridges.

Mr. Biggerstaff introduced

House bill No. 164, entitled

A bill making appropriations for the Western State Normal School for current expenses and for building and special purposes, for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, and for building and for special purposes for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1918, and June 30, 1919, and June 30, 1920, and June 30, 1921, and to provide a tax for the same.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Western State Normal School.

Mr. Vine introduced

House bill No. 165, entitled

A bill to amend section 7 of Act No. 211 of the Public Acts of 1893, as amended by Act No. 245 of the Public Acts of 1895, and as further amended by Act No. 268 of the Public Acts of 1899, and as further amended by Act No. 230 of the Public Acts of 1903, being entitled "An act to provide for the appointment of a Dairy and Food Commissioner, and to define his powers and duties and fix his compensation," being compiler's section No. 4979 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Matthews introduced

House bill No. 166, entitled

A bill to provide for pasteurizing the by-products of cheese factories, creameries, skimming stations and other places where milk is received and distributed.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Public Health.

Mr. Petermann introduced

House bill No. 167, entitled

A bill to amend section 9 in article 2 of Act No. 198 of the Laws of

1873, entitled "An act to revise the laws providing for the incorporation of the railroad, bridge and tunnel companies, and to regulate the running and management and to fix the duties and liabilities of all railroad, bridge, tunnel and other corporations owning or operating any railroad, bridge or tunnel within this State," as amended, being compile's section 6234 in the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by Act No. 276 of the Public Acts of 1911.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Railroads.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Tufts moved that when the House of Representatives adjourns today, it stand adjourned until tomorrow at 9:00 o'clock a. m.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Flowers moved that the Committee of the Whole be discharged from consideration of House bill No. 30 (file No. 17), and that the bill be re-referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

The motion prevailed, and the bill was re-referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Root offered the following resolution:

House resolution No. 28.

Resolved, That there is hereby acknowledged, with sincere thanks, the gift of apples to the members and officers of the House, from Hon. John R. Santo, a member of the House of 1913.

The resolution was adopted.

Mr. Wright made written request for the printing of House bill No. 103, entitled

A bill to require all incorporated stock or mutual companies doing a life insurance business within the State of Michigan to invest a part of the reserve set apart on account and for the final payment of policies of insurance written on the lives of the citizens of Michigan, in Michigan and other securities and Michigan property or in the bonds of the United States or any State of the United States, and to define Michigan securities and the property in which such investments may be made.

The request was referred to the Committee on Printing.

Mr. Moore made written request for the printing of House bill No. 142, entitled.

A bill to provide for the simplifying of the transfer of real estate, being a bill to provide for the determination, establishment and registration of land titles and the certification thereof.

The request was referred to the Committee on Printing.

Mr. Schmidt made written request for the printing of House bill No. 143, entitled

A bill to provide a method of voting at any general or primary election by electors in the actual military service of the United States or of

this State, or in the army or navy thereof, in time of war, insurrection or rebellion, by members of the Legislature while in attendance at any session of the Legislature, by students while in attendance at any institution of learning, and by commercial travelers absent from their place of residence upon the day of any general or primary election.

The request was referred to the Committee on Printing.

Mr. Wright offered the following concurrent resolution:

House concurrent resolution No. 12.

Whereas, Under the laws of the State of Michigan it is compulsory upon owners or occupants of all public buildings, to cause the doors thereof, permitting ingress or egress to any thoroughfare, to open outward; and

Whereas, Under these laws the State of Michigan is a flagrant violator, all such doors in the present Capitol building opening inward; therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That the Board of State Auditors be and hereby is instructed to cause the doors of such Capitol building to be changed to comply with the laws regulating such doors; and be it further

Resolved, That in making the necessary changes, the said Board shall install, wherever possible, revolving doors of the latest improved type.

Mr. Flowers moved that the resolutions be referred to the Committee on State Capitol and Public Buildings.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Culver offered the following resolution:

House resolution No. 29.

Resolved, That the Auditor General is hereby requested to furnish this House with a statement of the disbursements and compensation of each and all of the several special commissions created by acts of the Legislature during the past three sessions.

The resolution was adopted.

GENERAL ORDERS OF THE DAY.

Mr. Wolcott moved that the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole on the general orders.

The motion prevailed.

The Speaker called Mr. Wolcott to the chair.

After a time spent in the consideration of bills upon the general orders, the committee rose, and, through its chairman, made a report recommending the passage, without amendment, of the following entitled bills:

House bill No. 43 (file No. 11), entitled

A bill to amend section 17 of Act No. 285 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to provide for the creation of a department of labor, to prescribe its powers and duties, to regulate the employment of labor;

to make an appropriation for the maintenance of such department, and to prescribe penalties for the violation of this act," approved June 2, 1909.

House bill No. 56 (file No. 23), entitled

A bill to amend section 5 of Act No. 147 of the Public Acts of 1891, entitled "An act to provide for the election of a county commissioner of schools, for the appointment of school examiners, and to define the duties and fix the compensation for the same, and to repeal all existing acts or parts of acts conflicting with the provisions of this act," being compiler's section 4812 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as last amended by Act No. 231 of the Public Acts of 1913.

And

House bill No. 52 (file No. 24), entitled

A bill to amend sections 1, 2 and 3 of Act No. 144 of the Public Acts of 1901, entitled "An act to provide for the establishment and maintenance of rural high schools," approved May 21, 1901, as last amended by Act No. 97 of the Public Acts of 1909; to permit of the discontinuance of any rural high school established under the provisions of said act.

The bills were placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

The Committee of the Whole reported

House bill No. 14 (file No. 22), entitled

A bill to amend section 4 of Act No. 205 of the Public Acts of 1887, entitled "An act to revise the laws authorizing the business of banking, and to establish a banking department for the supervision of such business," being section 6093 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by Act No. 11 of the Public Acts of 1913, to enable State banks to become member banks under the federal reserve act.

Recommending the adoption of the following amendments thereto, and the passage of the bill when so amended:

1. Amend by inserting in line 31 of section 4, after the word "security" the words "as provided hereinafter."

2. Amend by striking out of line 35 of section 4 the words "as provided hereinafter."

The question being on the adoption of the proposed amendments made by the committee,

The amendments were adopted and the bill was placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

By unanimous consent, the House returned to the order of

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

A message was received from the Senate returning
House concurrent resolution No. 11.

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That when the Legislature adjourns on Thursday, February 11th, it stand adjourned until Monday, February 15th, at 9:00 o'clock p. m.

And informing the House that the Senate had concurred in the adoption of the concurrent resolution.

Mr. Koehler moved that the House adjourn.

The motion prevailed, the time being 3:20 o'clock p. m.

The Speaker declared the House adjourned until tomorrow at 9:00 o'clock a. m.

CHARLES S. PIERCE,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.

TWENTY-FOURTH DAY.

Lansing, Thursday, February 11.

9:00 o'clock a. m.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk, who announced that a quorum was present.

Messrs. Keen and Wiley were absent with leave.

Messrs. Sheridan Ford, Griggs, James D. Jerome, Martz and Sutton were absent without leave.

Mr. Flowers moved that the absentees without leave be excused from today's session.

The motion prevailed.

Messrs. Daigneau, DeBoer, Flowers, Rogers, Schmidt, Stevenson, Frank A. Smith and Vine asked and obtained leaves of absence from Monday's session.

Mr. Bosch asked and obtained a leave of absence until Wednesday's session.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

Mr. Petermann presented

Petition No. 107.

Petition of C. W. Thompson and 152 other citizens of Houghton county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the Upper Peninsula.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Sutton presented

Petition No. 108.

Petition of G. H. Allmendinger and 110 other citizens of Ann Arbor,

Washtenaw county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Schmidt presented

Petition No. 109.

Petition of Howard Kenney and 88 other teachers of Osceola county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 64, relative to a retirement fund for teachers.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Martin presented

Petition No. 110.

Petition of E. Griffith and 36 other citizens of Owosso, Shiawassee county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the Upper Peninsula.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Stevens presented

Petition No. 111.

Resolutions of the Kalkaska Board of Trade and 50 other citizens of Kalkaska, Kalkaska county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on Railroads.

By unanimous consent.

Mr. Flowers moved to reconsider the vote whereby the Committee of the Whole was discharged from consideration of House bill No. 30 (file No. 17) and the bill re-referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

The motion prevailed.

The question then being on the adoption of the motion made by Mr. Flowers to re-refer,

The motion did not prevail.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Towns and Counties, by Mr. Haviland, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 42, entitled

A bill to provide for the payment of salaries to the sheriff, under-sheriff, county clerk, county treasurer, register of deeds, prosecuting attorney and deputies of said officers of the several counties of the State of Michigan; providing for the collection of all fees and payment of the same to the county treasurer, and prescribing penalties for the violation of this act.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The committee further recommended that the bill be known as the Sherman-Reed bill.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

That part of the report of the committee, recommending that the bill be known as the Sherman-Reed bill, was concurred in.

The Committee on State Sanitorium, by Mr. Snow, Chairman, reported House bill No. 87, entitled

A bill making appropriations for the State Tuberculosis Sanatorium for current expenses and for building and special purposes for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The Committee on State Sanitorium, by Mr. Snow, Chairman, reported House bill No. 88, entitled

A bill to provide for a deficiency appropriation for the State Tuberculosis Sanatorium.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The Committee on Printing, by Mr. VanAntwerp, Chairman, reported The written request of Mr. Nelson for the printing of House bill No. 89, entitled

A bill to amend section 25 of chapter 3 of Act No. 164 of the Public Acts of 1881, entitled "An act to revise and consolidate the laws relating to public instruction and primary schools, and to repeal all statutes and acts contravening the provisions of this act," being section 4691 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as last amended by Act No. 218 of the Public Acts of 1911.

With the recommendation that the request be granted.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the recommendation of the committee,

The recommendation was concurred in, and the bill ordered printed.

The Committee on Printing, by Mr. VanAntwerp, Chairman, reported The written request of Mr. Stevens for the printing of House bill No. 29, entitled

A bill to provide for the establishment and maintenance in this State of a State house of correction at or near the village of Lake City, in the county of Missaukee; for the confinement of convicted persons therein, for the government and discipline thereof; to make appropriations therefor, and to repeal Act No. 356 of the Public Acts of 1913, approved May 13, 1913.

With the recommendation that the request be granted.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the recommendation of the committee,

The recommendation was concurred in, and the bill ordered printed.

The Committee on Printing, by Mr. Van Antwerp, Chairman, reported
The written request of Mr. Moore for the printing of
House bill No. 142, entitled

A bill to provide for the simplifying of the transfer of real estate, being a bill to provide for the determination, establishment and registration of land titles and the certification thereof.

With the recommendation that the request be granted.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the recommendation of the committee,

The recommendation was concurred in, and the bill ordered printed.

The Committee on Printing, by Mr. VanAntwerp, Chairman, reported
The written request of Mr. Schmidt for the printing of
House bill No. 143, entitled

A bill to provide a method of voting at any general or primary election by electors in the actual military service of the United States or of this State, or in the army or navy thereof, in time of war, insurrection or rebellion; by members of the Legislature while in attendance at any session of the Legislature; by students while in attendance at any institution of learning, and by commercial travelers absent from their place of residence upon the day of any general or primary election.

With the recommendation that the request be granted.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the recommendation of the committee,

The recommendation was concurred in, and the bill ordered printed.

The committee on Printing, by Mr. VanAntwerp, Chairman, reported
The written request of Mr. Wright for the printing of
House bill No. 103, entitled

A bill to require all incorporated stock or mutual companies doing a life insurance business within the State of Michigan to invest a part of the reserve set apart on account and for the final payment of policies of insurance written on the lives of the citizens of Michigan, in Michigan and other securities and Michigan property, or in the bonds of the United States, or any State of the United States, and to define Michigan securities and the property in which such investments may be made.

With the recommendation that the request be granted.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the recommendation of the committee,

The recommendation was concurred in, and the bill ordered printed.

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The following message from the Governor was received and read:

State of Michigan,
Executive Office,
Lansing, February 9, 1915.

To the Honorable Speaker of the House of Representatives of the State of Michigan:

Sir:—The commission appointed by me in pursuance of Act No. 286 of the Public Acts of 1913, on revision and consolidation of statutes, transmitted to me in November last a proposed bill designated by the commission "The Judicature Act of 1915." In accordance with the direction of the statute above mentioned this bill was published and copies thereof forwarded from the executive office to all applicants. In this manner the bill received a wide circulation, especially among lawyers. The Commission has recently met for the purpose of considering and acting upon the suggestions and criticisms called forth by the publication and circulation of the bill and they made a supplemental report, transmitting corrected and amended copies of the bill to me. I am herewith transmitting to you, in accordance with the directions of the statute aforesaid, two of these copies for introduction in the House.

I am satisfied that the commission has made a very earnest effort to carry out in a satisfactory manner the purposes for which the Legislature authorized its creation, and that the proposed bill if enacted into law will be a decided improvement over the laws on this subject as they now stand upon our statute books. I commend the bill to your very earnest and careful consideration and recommend its passage.

Yours very truly,

WOODBIDGE N. FERRIS,
Governor.

The message was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Flowers introduced

House bill No. 168, entitled

A bill to revise and consolidate the statutes relating to the organization and jurisdiction of the courts of this State; the powers and duties of such courts, and of the judges and other officers thereof; the forms of civil actions; the time within which civil actions and proceedings may be brought in said courts; pleading, evidence, practice and procedure in civil actions and proceedings in said courts; to provide remedies and penalties for the violation of certain provisions of this act; and to repeal all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with or contravening any of the provisions of this act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Flowers introduced

House bill No. 169, entitled

A bill to amend section 15 of an act, entitled "An act supplemental to the charter of the city of Detroit, and relating to parks, boulevards and other public grounds in said city, and to repeal Act No. 374 of the Local Acts of 1879, entitled 'An act to provide for the establishment and maintenance of a broad street or boulevard about the limits of the city of Detroit and through portions of the townships of Hamtramck, Greenfield and Springwells, in the county of Wayne,'" approved May 21, 1879, as amended.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on City Corporations.

Mr. Symonds introduced

House bill No. 170, entitled

A bill to amend sections 3 and 5 of Act No. 213 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to regulate the taking of fish in the waters of Lakes Superior, Michigan, Huron and Erie, the bays thereof and the connecting waters between said lakes within the jurisdiction of this State, and to regulate the transportation, sale and possession of fish taken from said waters," as amended by Act No. 97 of the Public Acts of 1913.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Fish and Fisheries.

Mr. Lewis introduced

House bill No. 171, entitled

A bill to permit incorporated telephone companies, not organized for pecuniary profit, certain other associations doing a mutual, cooperative telephone business and having no capital stock, to own, operate, extend and vacate its lines and equipment upon the public highways of this State, without applying for and receiving a certificate of public convenience and necessity from the Michigan Railroad Commission; absolving such associations and companies from filing with said Commission certain schedules of rates, tolls, rents and charges; and providing that otherwise such companies and associations shall be governed by Act No. 206 of the Public Acts of 1913.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. Ormsbee introduced

House bill No. 172, entitled

A bill making appropriations for the Michigan School for the Deaf for current expenses and for the building and special purposes for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Michigan School for the Deaf.

Mr. Wright introduced

House bill No. 173, entitled

A bill to repeal Act No. 334 of the Session Laws of 1869, entitled "An

act for the protection of fish in the lakes known as Devil's Lake and Round Lake in Lenawee county; Whitmore Lake, Washtenaw county, and Brace Lake, Calhoun county," as amended by Act No. 169 of the Local Acts of 1889.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Fish and Fisheries.

Mr. Person introduced

House bill No. 174, entitled

A bill concerning and regulating public utilities; creating a public service commission; abolishing the Railroad Commission of Michigan and conferring the powers of the Railroad Commission on the public service commission, and prescribing penalties for the violation hereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. Francis introduced

House bill No. 175, entitled

A bill to provide for the establishment of a branch bacteriological laboratory in and for the Upper Peninsula of the State, and authorizing the employment of a bacteriologist to take charge thereof; to authorize the purchase of the necessary appliances and apparatus for such laboratory and providing an appropriation therefor.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Culver introduced

House bill No. 176, entitled

A bill to prohibit the selling, keeping for sale, furnishing or delivering groceries or meats on Sunday, and to provide for keeping closed on Sunday groceries and meat shops, to define the meaning of the same and to provide penalties for the violation of this act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Petermann introduced

House bill No. 177, entitled

A bill making appropriations for current expenses and for special purposes for the Michigan College of Mines at Houghton for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on College of Mines.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 68 (file No. 12), entitled

A bill to authorize the common council of cities of the fourth class to provide by ordinance for the establishment of central places of registration of the electors of said city.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Francis	Mr. Oakley	Mr. Smith, Newel
Anderson	Gayde	O'Brien	Smith, S. J.
Ashley	Gettel	Olmsted	Snow
Averill	Green	Ormsbee	Sours
Biggerstaff	Haviland	Palmer	Stevenson
Bosch	Henry	Penney	Symonds
Chapin	Hinkley	Person	Tufts
Clark	Hoffman	Place	Van Antwerp
Cowan	Hopkins	Pray	Vine
Croll	Jerome, Wm. F.	Quintel	Ward
Culver	Jones	Read, Thos.	Warner
Daigneau	Kemmerling	Reed, C. J.	Watkins
Daprato	Koehler	Rice	Weissert
De Boer	Kooyers	Robertson	Wells
Edwards	Lamphere	Rogers	Whiteley
Empson	Leland	Root	Wieland
Evens	Lewis	Ross	Wolcott
Ewing	Martin	Schmidt	Wood
Flowers	Matthews	Sherman	Woodruff
Follett	Moore	Shields	Wright
Foote	Nank	Sly	Speaker
Ford, R. L.	Nelson	Smith, F. A.	87

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

House bill No. 62 (file No. 13), entitled

A bill to amend section 18 of chapter 9 of Act No. 3 of the Public Acts of 1895, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation of villages within the State of Michigan, and defining their powers and duties," said section being section 2869 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Gayde	Mr. O'Brien	Mr. Smith, Newel
Anderson	Gettel	Olmsted	Smith, S. J.
Ashley	Green	Ormsbee	Snow
Averill	Haviland	Palmer	Sours
Biggerstaff	Hinkley	Penney	Stevens
Bosch	Hoffman	Person	Stevenson
Chapin	Hopkins	Petermann	Symonds
Clark	Hulse	Place	Tufts
Cowan	Jones	Pray	Van Antwerp
Croll	Kemmerling	Quintel	Vine
Culver	Koehler	Read, Thos.	Ward
Daigneau	Kooyers	Reed, C. J.	Warner
Daprato	Lamphere	Rice	Watkins
De Boer	Leland	Robertson	Weissert
Edwards	Lewis	Rogers	Wells
Empson	Martin	Root	Whiteley
Evens	Matthews	Ross	Wieland
Ewing	Miller	Schmidt	Wolcott
Flowers	Moore	Sherman	Wood
Follett	Nank	Shields	Woodruff
Foote	Nelson	Sly	Wright
Ford, R. L.	Oakley	Smith, F. A.	Speaker
Francis			89

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

House bill No. 64 (file No. 14), entitled

A bill to amend section 35 of Act 206 of the Public Acts of 1893, being "An act to provide for assessment of property and levy and collection of taxes thereon; and for collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied; making such taxes a lien on the lands taxed, establishing and continuing such lien, providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes, and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the State and not redeemed or purchased; and to repeal Act No. 200 of the Public Acts of 1891, and all other acts and parts of acts in anywise contravening any of the provisions of this act," being section 3858 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Gettel	Mr. Oakley	Mr. Smith, F. A.
Ashley	Green	O'Brien	Smith, Newel
Averill	Haviland	Olmsted	Smith, S. J.
Biggerstaff	Hinkley	Ormsbee	Snow
Bosch	Hoffman	Palmer	Sours
Chapin	Hopkins	Penney	Stevens
Clark	Hulse	Person	Stevenson
Cowan	Jerome, Wm. F.	Petermann	Symonds
Croll	Jones	Place	Van Antwerp
Culver	Kemmerling	Pray	Vine
Daigneau	Koehler	Quintel	Ward
Daprato	Kooyers	Read, Thos.	Warner
De Boer	Lamphere	Reed, C. J.	Watkins
Edwards	Leland	Rice	Weissert
Empson	Lewis	Robertson	Wells
Evens	McMillan	Rogers	Whiteley
Ewing	Martin	Root	Wieland
Flowers	Matthews	Ross	Wolcott
Follett	Miller	Schmidt	Wood
Foote	Moore	Sherman	Woodruff
Ford, R. L.	Nank	Shields	Wright
Francis	Nelson	Sly	Speaker
Gayde			

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

House bill No. 43 (file No. 11), entitled

A bill to amend section 17 of Act No. 285 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to provide for the creation of a Department of Labor, to prescribe its powers and duties, to regulate the employment of labor; to make an appropriation for the maintenance of such department, and to prescribe penalties for the violation of this act," approved June 2, 1909.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Gettel	Mr. Oakley	Mr. Smith, F. A.
Ashley	Green	O'Brien	Smith, Newel
Averill	Haviland	Olmsted	Smith, S. J.
Biggerstaff	Henry	Ormsbee	Snow
Bosch	Hoffman	Palmer	Sours
Chapin	Hopkins	Penney	Stevens
Clark	Hulse	Person	Stevenson
Cowan	Jerome, W. F.	Petermann	Symonds
Croll	Jones	Place	Van Antwerp
Culver	Kemmerling	Pray	Vine
Daigneau	Koehler	Quintel	Ward
Daprato	Kooyers	Read, Thos.	Warner
De Boer	Lamphere	Reed, C. J.	Watkins
Edwards	Leland	Rice	Weissert
Empson	Lewis	Robertson	Wells
Evens	McMillan	Rogers	Whiteley
Ewing	Martin	Root	Wieland
Flowers	Matthews	Ross	Wolcott
Follett	Miller	Schmidt	Wood
Foote	Moore	Sherman	Woodruff
Ford, R. L.	Nank	Shields	Wright
Francis	Nelson	Sly	Speaker
Gayde			

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. William F. Jerome offered the following resolution:

House resolution No. 30.

Whereas, The railroad question now pending before this House is one of the largest and most important subjects that has come before the people for many years; therefore, be it

Resolved, That Representative Henry, Chairman of the Railroad Committee, be and is hereby empowered to employ a stenographer, that the speeches and records may be preserved for final consideration by this House.

Mr. William F. Jerome demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was seconded.

The motion made by Mr. William F. Jerome then prevailed, a majority of all the members present voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Averill	Mr. Jerome, W. F.	Mr. Petermann	Mr. Smith, Newel
Daprato	Jones	Place	Smith, S. J.
Edwards	Kemmerling	Pray	Snow
Empson	Koehler	Quintel	Sours
Follett	Martin	Read, Thos.	Stevens
Foote	Nank	Reed, C. J.	Symonds
Ford, R. L.	Nelson	Robertson	Van Antwerp

Mr. Francis
Green
Haviland
Hinkley
Hoffman
Hopkins

Mr. Oakley
Olmsted
Ormsbee
Palmer
Person

Mr. Ross
Schmidt
Sherman
Shields
Smith, F. A.

Mr. Ward
Watkins
Wells
Whiteley
Wolcott

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NAYS.

Mr. Amon
Ashley
Biggerstaff
Bosch
Chapin
Clark
Cowan
Croll
Culver
Daigneau

Mr. De Boer
Evans
Ewing
Flowers
Gayde
Gettel
Hulse
Kooyers
Lamphere
Leland

Mr. Lewis
McMillan
Matthews
Miller
Moore
O'Brien
Penney
Rice
Rogers
Root

Mr. Sly
Stevenson
Vine
Warner
Weissert
Wieland
Wood
Woodruff
Wright
Speaker

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Mr. Wells made written request for the printing of
House bill No. 86, entitled

A bill to establish a department of foods and markets, prescribing the powers and duties thereof, and making an appropriation therefor.
The request was referred to the Committee on Printing.

Mr. Oakley made written request for the printing of
House bill No. 151, entitled

A bill to amend Act No. 10, Public Acts of 1912, entitled "An act to promote the welfare of the people of this State relating to the liability of employers for injuries or death sustained by their employees; providing compensation for the accidental injury to or death of employees and methods for the payment of the same; establishing an Industrial Accident Board; defining its powers, providing for a review of its awards; making an appropriation to carry out the provisions of this act, and restricting the right to compensation or damages in such cases to such as are provided by this act," approved March 20, 1912, by adding to part 1 thereof a new section to be known as section 9 relative to contractors, and adding to part 2 thereof four new sections to be known as sections 23, 24, 25 and 26, providing compensation for occupational diseases and disfigurement, and relative to costs and previous partial disability; and by amending section 7 of part 1, sections 4, 6 and 11 of part 2, section 1 of part 4 and section 3 of part 6.

The request was referred to the Committee on Printing.

Mr. Koehler made written request for the printing of
House bill No. 82, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 and section 9 of Act No. 294 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to provide for the licensing and regulating of the business of transient merchants; to prevent the fraudulent sale of goods by such transient merchants; to provide a lien on the goods

of such transient merchants for the license fees prescribed, and to provide penalties for the violation thereof."

The request was referred to the Committee on Printing.

Mr. Oakley moved that the House adjourn.

The motion prevailed, the time being 9:45 o'clock a. m.

The Speaker declared the House adjourned until Monday at 9:00 o'clock p. m.

CHARLES S. PIERCE,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.

TWENTY-FIFTH DAY.

Lansing, Monday, February 15.

9:00 o'clock p. m.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

Religious exercises were conducted by Rev. F. C. Aldinger, of the Universalist Church, of Lansing.

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk, who announced that a quorum was present.

Messrs. Bosch, Daigneau, DeBoer, Flowers, Rogers, Schmidt, Frank A. Smith, and Vine were absent with leave.

Messrs. Culver, Francis, Nank, Olmsted, Thomas Read, Rice, Sherman, Weissert, Wieland and Wood were absent without leave.

Mr. Haviland moved that Mr. Nank be excused from today's session.
The motion prevailed.

Mr. Nelson moved that Mr. Francis be excused from today's session.
The motion prevailed.

Mr. Ashley moved that Mr. Culver be excused from today's session.
The motion prevailed.

Mr. Ross moved that an indefinite leave of absence be granted to Mr. Olmsted.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Henry moved that the other absentees without leave be excused from today's session.

The motion prevailed.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

Mr. Schmidt presented

Petition No. 112.

Petition of H. S. Taylor and 60 other citizens of Lucas, Osceola county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Moore presented

Petition No. 113.

Petition of G. R. Wolf and 7 other citizens of Clinton, Lenawee county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Moore presented

Petition No. 114.

Petition of Guy E. Memior and 12 other citizens of Tecumseh, Lenawee county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Wolcott presented

Petition No. 115.

Petition of E. L. Andrews and 10 other citizens of Homer, Calhoun county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. McMillan presented

Petition No. 116.

Petition of Levi Metz and 30 other citizens of East Jordan, Charlevoix county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Symonds presented

Petition No. 117.

Resolutions adopted by Pioneer Grange No. 1308 of Stephenson, Menominee county, protesting against any increase in the passenger rates charged by the railroads of the State.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Schmidt presented

Petition No. 118.

Petition of A. G. Kinney and 16 other citizens of Park Lake, Osceola county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Oakley presented

Petition No. 119.

Petition of John Erner and 32 other citizens of Bay county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Samuel J. Smith presented

Petition No. 120.

Petition of C. B. Stonehouse and 27 other citizens of Cheboygan county, protesting against any increase in the passenger rates charged by the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

The Speaker presented

Petition No. 121.

Petition of J. Helfrich and 5 other citizens of Columbiaville, Lapeer county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Pray presented

Petition No. 122.

Petition of F. F. Flaherty and 10 other citizens of Charlotte, Eaton county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Pray presented

Petition No. 123.

Petition of F. J. White and one other citizen of Vermontville, Eaton county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Newel Smith presented

Petition No. 124.

Petition of William Sell and 9 other citizens of Ithaca, Gratiot county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Anderson presented

Petition No. 125.

Petition of L. J. Kinney and 37 other citizens of Benzie county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Ewing presented

Petition No. 126.

Petition of George Denny and 299 other citizens of Marquette county,

in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Person presented

Petition No. 127.

Petition of C. A. Davis and 6 other citizens of Eden, Ingham county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Person introduced

Petition No. 128.

Petition of J. E. Zelmer and 13 other citizens of Holt, Ingham county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Wolcott presented

Petition No. 129.

Petition of Homer Whittaker and 15 other citizens of Calhoun county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Wolcott presented

Petition No. 130.

Petition of H. B. Williams and 10 other citizens of Tekonsha, Calhoun county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Wolcott presented

Petition No. 131.

Petition of W. R. Taylor and 8 other citizens of Battle Creek, Calhoun county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Clarence J. Reed presented

Petition No. 132.

Petition of T. J. Harrington and 13 other citizens of Parma, Jackson county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Clarence J. Reed presented

Petition No. 133.

Petition of J. J. Schaffe and 26 other citizens of Jackson, Jackson county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Hinkley presented
Petition No. 134.

Resolutions adopted by the Board of Supervisors of Emmet county, favoring an amendment to the law so as to provide for the appointment of fire wardens by township boards.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on Towns and Counties.

Mr. Person presented
Petition No. 135.

Petition of C. R. Willis and 13 other citizens of Onondaga, Ingham county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Sutton presented
Petition No. 136.

Petition of Herman Folike and 26 other citizens of Ann Arbor, Washtenaw county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY CLERK OF PRINTING OF BILLS.

The Clerk announced that the following named bills had been printed and placed upon the files of the members Saturday, February 13:

House bill No. 112 (file No. 25), entitled

A bill to amend sections 19, 20, 22, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 34, 35 and 36 of Act No. 281 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act relative to the nomination of party candidates for public office and delegates to political conventions; to regulate primary elections and to prescribe penalties for violations of its provisions; and to provide for the printing upon election ballots of the names of candidates nominated under the terms of this act; and to repeal Act No. 4 of the Public Acts of the Extra Session of the year 1907, and all local primary election acts contravening the provisions of this act except as in this act otherwise provided," as amended by Act No. 279 of the Public Acts of 1911, and Act No. 118 of the Public Acts of 1913.

House bill No. 57 (file No. 26), entitled

A bill to amend section 4 of Act No. 65 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to provide for the payment of tuition in and transportation to another district, of children who have completed the eighth grade in any school district; and to repeal Act No. 190 of the Public Acts of 1903, and all other acts and parts of acts in any wise contravening the provisions of this act."

House bill No. 108 (file No. 27), entitled

A bill to create a commission to investigate the causes and effects of commercialized prostitution, and to recommend to the Legislature and to the public ways and means of combating this vice and its attendant evils, to the end that the health and morals of the people of the State shall be conserved and protected.

House bill No. 20 (file No. 28), entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of Act 195 of the Public Acts of Michigan for the year 1879, being an act defining the powers and duties of prosecuting attorneys, being section 2569 of the Compiled Laws for 1897.

Senate bill No. 69 (file No. 65), entitled

A bill regulating the hours of employment of conductors and motormen on street railways, and providing a penalty for the violation thereof.

Senate bill No. 93 (file No. 66), entitled

A bill to amend section 8 of Act No. 9 of the Public Acts of the First Extra Session of 1912, entitled "An act to provide for the expression by the qualified enrolled voters of the several political parties of their choice for the nomination by their party for the president of the United States, and making an appropriation to carry out the provisions of the same," approved March 20, 1912; relative to support of candidates by delegates.

Senate bill No. 94 (file No. 67), entitled

A bill to amend sections 4 and 6 of Act No. 334 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to provide for the establishment, survey, improvement and maintenance of State reward trunk line highways, to provide for the payment of double State reward thereon, to define the duties of State, county, good roads district and township officers in regard thereto, and to appropriate funds to carry out the provisions thereof," approved May 13, 1913.

Senate bill No. 95 (file No. 68), entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the completion of the State public wagon road extending from the unincorporated village of Seney, in the township of Seney, county of Schoolcraft, to the north line of town 47 north of range 13 west, said township and county, established by Act No. 58 of the Public Acts of 1913, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

Senate bill No. 96 (file No. 69), entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the State Highway Department for the payment of the additional State reward on trunk line highways, the building or repairing of bridges on such highways, making necessary repairs on such highways, and paying the salaries and running expenses incurred under the provisions of Act No. 334 of the Public Acts of 1913, for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, and to provide a tax therefor.

Senate bill No. 97 (file No. 70), entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the Michigan Agricultural College for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1916, for the purpose of erecting and equipping a gymnasium, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

Senate bill No. 98 (file No. 71), entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of Act No. 147 of the Public Acts of 1889, entitled "An act to regulate the uniformity of, and to provide free school text books in public schools throughout the State, and the distribution of the same, and to repeal all statutes and acts contravening the provisions of this act," being section 4775 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

Senate bill No. 99 (file No. 72), entitled

A bill to make uniform the law of acknowledgments to deeds or other instruments taken outside the United States.

Senate bill No. 100 (file No. 73), entitled

A bill to regulate the cold storage of certain articles of food; to provide for the inspection and licensing of cold storage warehouses; and providing penalties for violations.

Senate bill No. 102 (file No. 74), entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the Michigan Farm Colony for Epileptics, for certain special purposes, for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, and to provide taxes to meet the same.

Senate bill No. 103 (file No. 75), entitled

A bill to amend section 31 of Act No. 173 of the Public Acts for the year 1913, entitled "An act to establish a farm colony for the humane, curative, scientific and economical treatment of epileptic persons, exclusive of insane and idiotic persons, to be known as the 'Michigan Farm Colony for Epileptics,' to regulate the procedure for admission thereto, and to provide for the management and control thereof, and making an appropriation therefor."

Senate bill No. 104 (file No. 76), entitled

A bill to regulate the planting of nut-bearing or fruit trees along the highways of the State of Michigan, for the maintenance, protection and care thereof, and to provide a penalty for injury to said trees and for stealing the products thereof.

Senate bill No. 107 (file No. 77), entitled

A bill to prohibit the use of added artificial coloring matter in such edible alimentary pastes as macaroni, spaghetti, vermicelli and noodles.

Senate bill No. 108 (file No. 78), entitled

A bill to prevent bribery of executive, legislative, or judicial officers, to prescribe penalties therefor, and to repeal Act No. 107 of the Public Acts of 1873, entitled "An act to prohibit officers of public institutions from being interested in contracts made therewith, and to prevent bribery," being compiler's section 11385 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

Senate bill No. 109 (file No. 79), entitled

A bill prescribing vacations for persons regularly employed in the Michigan State Prison, the State House of Correction and Branch of the State Prison in the Upper Peninsula, and the Michigan Reformatory.

Senate bill No. 111 (file No. 80), entitled

A bill to amend section 20 of Act No. 173 of the Public Acts of the State of Michigan for the year 1913, entitled "An act to establish a farm colony for the humane, curative, scientific and economical treatment of epileptic persons, exclusive of insane and idiotic persons, to be known as the 'Michigan Farm Colony for Epileptics,' to regulate the procedure for admission thereto and to provide for the management and control thereof and making an appropriation therefor."

Senate bill No. 112 (file No. 81), entitled

A bill to amend section 15 of Act No. 173 of the Public Acts of the State of Michigan for the year 1913, entitled "An act to establish a farm colony for the humane, curative, scientific and economical treatment of epileptic persons, exclusive of insane and idiotic persons, to be known as the 'Michigan Farm Colony for Epileptics,' to regulate the procedure for admission thereto and to provide for the management and control thereof and making an appropriation therefor."

The Clerk announced the following named bills had been printed and placed upon the files of the members Monday, February 15:

House bill No. 125 (file No. 29), entitled

A bill to amend section 28 of Act No. 182 of the Public Acts of 1885, entitled "An act to provide for the appointment of a State Live Stock Sanitary Commission and a State Veterinarian, and to prescribe their powers and duties, and to prevent and suppress contagious and infectious diseases among the live stock of the State," as last amended by Act No. 199 of the Public Acts of 1913, and to add four new sections thereto to stand as sections 29, 30, 31 and 32; relative to the suppression of hog cholera.

House bill No. 106 (file No. 30), entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of Act No. 243 of the Public Acts of 1903, as amended by Act No. 119 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act in relation to the manufacture and sale of renovated butter."

House bill No. 122 (file No. 31), entitled

A bill to amend section 4 of Act No. 257 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to regulate the construction and operation of moving picture shows and theatres showing moving pictures in which celluloid films are used; to provide for an inspection fee for operating the same, and to place supervision of such shows and theatres under the department of the State Fire Marshal," approved May 7, 1913, to permit the holding of moving picture exhibitions above the first or main floor in fire proof buildings.

House bill No. 115 (file No. 32), entitled

A bill to repeal Act No. 1 of the Session Laws of 1869, as amended, entitled "An act to designate the time and provide the manner of electing United States senators," being sections 1144, 1145, 1146 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

House bill No. 121 (file No. 33), entitled

A bill to amend section 16 of Act No. 281 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act relative to the nomination of party candidates for public offices and delegates to political conventions; to regulate primary elections and to prescribe penalties for violations of its provisions; and to provide for the printing upon election ballots of the names of candidates nominated under the terms of this act, and to repeal Act No. 4 of the Public Acts of the Extra Session of the year 1907, and all local primary election acts contravening the provisions of this act, except as in this act otherwise provided," approved June 2, 1909, as last amended by Act No. 118 of the Public Acts of 1913; relative to the nomination of candidates for United States senator.

House joint resolution No. 2 (file No. 34), entitled

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to article VIII of the Constitution of this State, by adding a new section thereto, to stand as section 15a of said article, authorizing drainage districts to issue bonds for drainage purposes.

House bill No. 136 (file No. 35), entitled

A bill to amend Act No. 184 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to regulate the business of selling farm products on commission, providing all commission merchants dealing in farm products shall be

licensed, to provide against and punish fraud and deception in the sale of farm products on commission, and defining the duties of the State Dairy and Food Commissioner relative thereto," by adding thereto a new section to be known as section 11.

House bill No. 37 (file No. 36), entitled

A bill to provide for the preservation in the State Library of all reports, bulletins, pamphlets and other publications issued by any department of the State government.

House bill No. 31 (file No. 37), entitled

A bill to repeal Act No. 87 of the Public Acts of 1907, entitled "An act to prohibit the spearing of fish in any of the public streams or rivers in certain townships of Van Buren county," subject to a referendum to the electors of each township affected before this act becomes effective in such township.

House bill No. 4 (file No. 38), entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of Act No. 97 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An Act to regulate the taking of fish in the waters of Lakes Superior, Michigan, Huron and Erie, the bays thereof and the connecting waters between said lakes, within the jurisdiction of this State, and to regulate the transportation, sale and possession of fish taken from said waters."

House bill No. 70 (file No. 39), entitled

A bill to provide for the organization, operation and supervision of fire insurance rate making bureaus; to provide for a review of any rates fixed by any such bureau for fire insurance upon property in this State; to prohibit discrimination in such rates, and to regulate all agreements between fire insurance companies or their agents affecting such rates.

House bill No. 42 (file No. 40), entitled

A bill to provide for the payment of salaries to the sheriff, under sheriff, county clerk, county treasurer, register of deeds, prosecuting attorney and deputies of said officers of the several counties of the State of Michigan; providing for the collection of all fees and payment of the same to the county treasurer and prescribing penalties for the violation of this act.

House bill No. 89 (file No. 41), entitled

A bill to amend section 25 of chapter 3 of Act No. 164 of the Public Acts of 1881, entitled "An act to revise and consolidate the laws relating to public instruction and primary schools, and to repeal all statutes and acts contravening the provisions of this act," being section 4691 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as last amended by Act No. 218 of the Public Acts of 1911.

House bill No. 29 (file No. 42), entitled

A bill to provide for the establishment and maintenance in this State of a State house of correction at or near the village of Lake City, in the county of Missaukee; for the confinement of convicted persons therein; for the government and discipline thereof; to make appropriations therefor, and to repeal Act No. 356 of the Public Acts of 1913, approved May 13, 1913.

House bill No. 142 (file No. 43), entitled

A bill to provide for the simplifying of the transfer of real estate,

being a bill to provide for the determination, establishment and registration of land titles and the certification thereof.

Senate substitute for Senate bill 27 (file No. 82), entitled

A bill to prohibit selling, giving, furnishing or delivering any vinous, malt, brewed, fermented, spirituous or intoxicating liquors, or any mixed liquors or beverages, any part of which is intoxicating, to any employe engaged in or about lumber camps, or mills or yards which are connected with lumbering operation, or on, or along logging railroads, and to provide a penalty for violations of the same.

Senate bill No. 121 (file No. 83), entitled

A bill to amend Act No. 10, Public Acts of 1912, entitled "An act to promote the welfare of the people of this State relating to the liability of employers for injuries or death sustained by their employes, providing compensation for the accidental injury to or death of employes and methods for the payment of the same, establishing an Industrial Accident Board, defining its powers, providing for a review of its awards, making an appropriation to carry out the provisions of this act, and restricting the right to compensation or damages in such cases to such as are provided by this act," approved March 20, 1912, by adding to Part I thereof a new section to be known as section 9, relative to contractors, and adding to Part II thereof four new sections to be known as sections 23, 24, 25 and 26, providing compensation for occupational diseases and disfigurement, and relative to costs and previous partial disability, and by amending section 7 of Part I, sections 4, 6 and 11 of Part II, section 1 of Part IV and section 3 of Part VI.

Senate bill No. 122 (file No. 84), entitled

A bill to amend sections 7, 14, 16, 27 and 32 of Act 217 of the Public Acts of 1903, entitled "An act to revise and consolidate the laws organizing asylums for the insane and to regulate the care, management and use thereof and to provide for the apprehension of persons believed to be insane and for their care and custody," as amended by Act 335 of the Public Acts of 1907 and Act 155 of the Public Acts of 1911.

Senate bill No. 123 (file No. 85), entitled

A bill to provide for the appointment of a collection and deportation agent in connection with the State hospitals of Michigan.

Senate bill No. 124 (file No. 86), entitled

A bill to amend the title and sections 1 and 8 of Act No. 125 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of co-operative and mutual protective associations of railway conductors and engineers."

Senate bill No. 127 (file No. 87), entitled

A bill to amend section 15 of an act, entitled "An act supplemental to the charter of the city of Detroit, and relating to parks, boulevards and other public grounds in said city, and to repeal Act No. 374 of the Local Acts of 1879, entitled 'An act to provide for the establishment and maintenance of a broad street or boulevard about the limits of the city of Detroit and through portions of the townships of Hamtramck, Greenfield and Springwells, in the county of Wayne,'" approved May 21, 1879, as amended.

Senate substitute for Senate bill No. 31 (file No. 88), entitled

A bill defining general, district, State and special agents, agents and solicitors for insurance companies authorized to transact business in the State of Michigan, requiring them to be licensed annually by the Commissioner of Insurance, fixing the fees to be paid for and providing penalties for the transaction of business in the State of Michigan in violation of the provisions hereof; and to repeal Act No. 84 of the Public Acts of 1901, entitled "An act to require the procuring of certificates of authority in this State by all agents of insurance companies doing business within this State."

Senate bill No. 131 (file No. 89), entitled

A bill to repeal Act No. 334 of the Session Laws of 1869, entitled "An act for the protection of fish in the lakes known as Devil's lake and Round lake, in Lenawee county; Whitmore lake, Washtenaw county, and Brace lake, Calhoun county," as amended by Act No. 169 of the Local Acts of 1889.

Senate bill No. 132 (file No. 90), entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of Act 232 of the Public Acts of 1903, entitled "An act to revise and consolidate the laws providing for the incorporation of manufacturing and mercantile companies, or any union of the two, and for the incorporation of companies for carrying on any other lawful business except such as are precluded from organization under this act by its express provisions, and to prescribe the powers and fix the duties and liabilities of such corporations," as amended by Act 146 of the Public Acts for the year 1907.

Senate bill No. 136 (file No. 91), entitled

A bill to amend section 95 and section 106 and to repeal section 104 of chapter 85 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, entitled "Of county officers," being respectively compiler's sections 2617, 2628 and 2626.

Senate bill No. 137 (file No. 92), entitled

A bill to prohibit the selling, keeping for sale, furnishing or delivering groceries or meats on Sunday, and to provide for keeping closed on Sunday grocery and meat shops, to define the meaning of the same, and to provide penalties for the violation of this act.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on State Industrial Home for Girls, by Mr. Hoffman, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 26, entitled

A bill making appropriations for the State Industrial Home for Girls for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

With the following amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in and that when so amended the bill pass:

1. Amend by striking out of line 5 of section 1 the words "ninety-six" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "seventy-five."

2. Amend by striking out of line 1 of section 2 the words "forty-seven thousand seven hundred" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "eight thousand three hundred and fifty."

3. Amend by striking out of lines 3 and 4 of section 2 the words "Purchase of additional land and improving the same, six thousand dollars."

4. Amend by striking out of lines 4 and 5 of section 2 the words "for erection and completion of one new cottage, twenty-five thousand dollars."

5. Amend by striking out of line 6 of section 2 the words "four thousand."

6. Amend striking out of line 8 of section 2 the words "five hundred."

7. Amend by striking out of line 9 of section 2 the words "one thousand" and in inserting in lieu thereof the words "five hundred."

8. Amend by striking out of lines 9 and 10 of section 2 the words "one thousand five hundred" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "seven hundred and fifty."

9. Amend by striking out of line 11 of section 2 the words "for porch on Central cottage, one thousand two hundred dollars."

10. Amend by striking out of line 12 of section 2 the word "three" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "two."

11. Amend by striking out of lines 12 and 13 of section 2 the words "three hundred" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "one hundred and fifty."

12. Amend by striking out of line 13 of section 2 the words "five hundred" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "two hundred and fifty."

13. Amend by striking out of lines 21 and 22 of section 2 the words "forty-seven thousand seven hundred" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "eight thousand three hundred and fifty."

14. Amend by striking out of lines 2 and 3 of section 4 the words "one hundred forty-three thousand seven hundred" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "eighty-three thousand three hundred and fifty."

15. Amend by striking out of line 4 of section 4 the words "ninety-six" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "seventy-five."

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the amendments to the bill recommended by the committee,

The amendments were adopted.

The bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By the Committee on Michigan Soldiers' Home.

The Committee on Michigan Soldiers' Home begs leave to make the following report:

We visited the Home on January 15 and 16, 1915, and made a thorough inspection of all the buildings and found them in first-class condition.

The men's building is entirely occupied.

The women's building is very much overcrowded. Inasmuch as the number of inmates of this building is increasing rapidly, steps should be taken immediately to provide more room.

There are at present 151 men and 77 women in the hospital, making this department greatly overcrowded. Many of these inmates are very old and helpless and require much attention.

There are 33 women and 12 men employed as nurses and attendants in the hospital, for whom rooms have to be provided. The overcrowded condition of the women's building and the hospital would be greatly relieved if these rooms could be utilized by the inmates of the Home. We recommend that an appropriation of \$25,000 for a dormitory for the female help be allowed. The Soldiers' Homes throughout the United States are employing girls to take the place of old soldiers and waiters in the dining room, as the soldiers are getting too old and feeble to perform the work, the average age being 73½ years. The appropriation suggested would amply provide for a building sufficient to care for the nurses and attendants, and for about 40 girls to take the place of the men and old soldiers in the dining room, making a total of 85.

We most respectfully recommend as a necessity an appropriation of \$200,000 to take care of the current expenses for the year ending June 30, 1916, and \$200,000 for the year ending June 30, 1917, making a total of \$400,000. Of this amount the government pays back into the State Treasury \$100 per capita, annually, which for two years would amount to approximately \$181,000. This leaves a total amount of cash from the State for current expenses for two years of \$219,000.

The number of men on the rolls at present is:

For duty	830
In hospital	151
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Total present	981
Absent without leave	10
Absent with leave	154
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Total present and absent.....	1,145

Number of women on rolls:

For duty	128
In hospital	77
Absent with leave	37
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Total number on rolls.....	1,387

We believe in strict economy in all public affairs and the cutting out of all unnecessary expenditures, but we do not believe it would be good economy to cut off necessary appropriations from old wards of the State, whom every patriotic citizen is anxious to keep with us as long as possible and give them the best the land affords to make them happy and comfortable in their old age or until call for "lights out." This is not an act of charity, but a debt of honor and gratitude that we owe them and one that the people are willing and proud to pay.

Respectfully submitted,

LESTER B. PLACE,
JOS A. SHIELDS,
LYMAN C. ROOT,
CHAS. A. HULSE.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The following communication from the Governor was received and read:

State of Michigan, Executive Chamber,
Lansing, February 12, 1915.

Hon. C. S. Pierce, Clerk, House of Representatives,
Lansing, Michigan.

My Dear Sir: I have your communication of February 11th together with resolution adopted by the House of Representatives for the transfer of the portrait of Governor Hazen S. Pingree to the House of Representatives.

Your request is granted.

Sincerely yours,
WOODBIDGE N. FERRIS,
Governor.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting Senate bill No. 42 (file No. 35), entitled

A bill to prohibit the selling, giving, or furnishing of cigarettes to minors, to prohibit the use of cigarettes by minors, and prohibiting the harboring of minors for the purpose of indulging in the use of cigarettes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting Senate bill No. 9 (file No. 9), entitled

A bill to amend section 15 of Act No. 194 of the Public Acts of 1889, entitled "An act to revise and consolidate the laws relative to the State Board of Education," being section 1826 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by Act No. 125 of the Public Acts of 1907.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Education.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting Senate bill No. 25 (file No. 23), entitled

A bill to provide a tax to meet the amounts disbursed by the State for the several State hospitals, the Michigan Home and Training School and the Eloise Hospital, for the support of patients under the several laws relating thereto.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Kemmerling introduced
House bill No. 178, entitled

A bill to amend section 4 of Act No. 257 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to regulate the construction and operation of moving

picture shows and theatres showing moving pictures in which celluloid films are used, to provide for an inspection fee for operating the same, and to place the supervision of such shows and theatres under the department of the State Fire Marshal."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Newel Smith introduced
House bill No. 179, entitled

A bill to prescribe certain disqualifications for election to the office of sheriff, county clerk, register of deeds, county treasurer and county auditor, within the various counties of this State.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Towns and Counties.

Mr. Ward introduced
House bill No. 180, entitled

A bill to amend section 18 of Act 275 of the Public Acts of 1911, as amended by Act 167 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to provide for the protection of game and birds, to regulate the taking, possession, use and transportation of the same, to prohibit the sale thereof, to regulate the manner of hunting, pursuing and killing of game or birds, to provide a penalty for the violation of any of the provisions of this act and to repeal inconsistent acts and parts of acts."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Wolcott introduced
House bill No. 181, entitled

A bill to prevent the running at large of domestic animals or fowl upon grounds of rural cemeteries, and providing a penalty for the violation of this act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Hopkins introduced
House bill No. 182, entitled

A bill to provide for the protection from disturbance of foxes and other fur-bearing animals kept in captivity for breeding purposes and prescribing penalties for violations.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Averill introduced
House bill No. 183, entitled

A bill to amend section 10 of part 2 of Act No. 10 of the Public Acts of the Extra Session of 1912, entitled "An act to promote the welfare of the people of this State relating to the liability of employers for injuries or death sustained by their employes, providing compensation for the accidental injury to or death of employes and methods for the payment of the same, establishing an Industrial Accident Board, defining its powers, providing for a review of its awards, making an appropria-

tion to carry out the provisions of this act, and restricting the right to compensation or damages in such cases to such as are provided by this act."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Labor.

Mr. Averill introduced

House bill No. 184, entitled

A bill to amend section 9 of part 2, of Act No. 10, of the Public Acts of the Extra Session of 1912, entitled "An act to promote the welfare of the people of this State, relating to the liability of employers for injuries or death sustained by their employes, providing compensation for the accidental injury to or death of employes and methods for the payment of the same, establishing an Industrial Accident Board, defining its powers, providing for a review of its awards, making an appropriation to carry out the provisions of this act, and restricting the right to compensation or damages in such cases to such as are provided by this act."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Labor.

Mr. Hinkley introduced

House bill No. 185, entitled

A bill to repeal Act No. 125 of the Public Acts of 1899, entitled "An act to prohibit the taking or catching of fish by any means or device other than hook and line in Crooked lake, Pickerel lake, Pickerel channel or Crooked river in Emmet county," upon approval by the electors of said county of Emmet.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Fish and Fisheries.

Mr. Lewis introduced

House bill No. 186, entitled

A bill to compel common carriers to furnish wholesome water supply, watering troughs and overhead shelter at stock yards, cattle pens, and other enclosures maintained by such common carriers for the use of its patrons and shippers, and to provide a penalty for failure to comply with the terms of this act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Petermann introduced

House bill No. 187, entitled

A bill to amend section 3 of chapter 16 of the Revised Statutes of 1846, entitled "Of the powers and duties of townships, and election and duties of township officers," the same being compiler's section 2269 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by Act No. 62 of the Public Acts of 1909.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Towns and Counties.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 66 (file No. 15), entitled

A bill to amend section 84 of Act No. 206 of the Public Acts of 1893, being "An act to provide for the assessment of property and the levy and collection of taxes thereon, and for the collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied; making such taxes a lien on the lands taxed; establishing and continuing such lien; providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes; and for the inspection and disposition of land bid off to the State and not redeemed or purchased; and to repeal Act 200 of the Public Acts of 1891 and all other acts and parts of acts in any wise contravening any of the provisions of this act," being section 3907 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by Act 262 of the Public Acts of 1899.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Griggs	Mr. Matthews	Mr. Smith, Newel
Anderson	Haviland	Miller	Smith, S. J.
Ashley	Henry	Moore	Snow
Averill	Hinkley	Nelson	Sours
Biggerstaff	Hoffman	Oakley	Stevens
Chapin	Hopkins	O'Brien	Stevenson
Clark	Hulse	Ormsbee	Sutton
Cowan	Jerome, Jas. D.	Palmer	Symonds
Croll	Jerome, W. F.	Penney	Tufts
Daprato	Jones	Person	Van Antwerp
Edwards	Keen	Petermann	Ward
Empson	Kemmerling	Place	Warner
Evens	Koehler	Pray	Watkins
Ewing	Kooyers	Quintel	Wells
Follett	Lamphere	Reed, C. J.	Whiteley
Foote	Leland	Robertson	Wiley
Ford, R. L.	Lewis	Root	Wolcott
Ford, Sheridan	McMillan	Ross	Woodruff
Gayde	Martin	Shields	Wright
Gettel	Martz	Sly	Speaker
Green			

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NAYS.

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

House bill No. 74 (file No. 16), entitled

A bill to amend Act 266 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to amend Act No. 283 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled 'An act to revise, consolidate and add to the laws relating to the establishment, opening, improvement, maintenance and use of the public highways and private roads, the condemnation of property and gravel therefor; the building, repairing and preservation of bridges; setting and protecting shade trees; drainage; cutting weeds and brush within this State, and providing for the election and defining the powers, duties and compensation of State, county, township and district highway officials,' approved June 2, 1909, by adding thereto a new chapter to be

known as chapter 25, providing for the repair and improvement of highways by means of assessment of statute labor, for the election of overseers of highways, prescribing the qualifications and duties thereof, providing for carrying the same into effect, and prescribing the conditions under which the same shall supersede all provisions inconsistent therewith; and enabling townships to adopt or repeal the provisions hereof upon a referendum vote of a majority of the qualified voters voting thereon; providing for assessments for highway purposes, for the performance of labor on highways and the commutation therefor, and to prescribe penalties, forfeitures and general duties of overseers," approved June 8, 1913, by amending sections 20, 22, 30 and 39 of said chapter 25, being said sections of said Act No. 266, providing the payment by person assessed, of one dollar fifty cents for each day of work that said person refused or neglected to work after due notice, providing an offset of one day of work against the assessment for each one dollar fifty cents collected in an action against the person assessed, providing a minimum width of road grade and providing that each day of labor be estimated at one dollar and fifty cents in estimating all arrearages of labor.

Was read a third time and, the question being on its passage,

Mr. Wolcott moved to amend the bill

By striking out of line 1 of section 39 the word "commissioner" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "overseers of each township;" and by striking out of lines 2 and 3 of said section the words "call upon each overseer of his township for the purpose of procuring" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "deliver to the commissioner."

The amendment did not prevail, a majority of all the members-elect not voting therefor.

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Gettel	Mr. Martz	Mr. Sly
Anderson	Green	Matthews	Smith, Newel
Ashley	Haviland	Moore	Smith, S. J.
Averill	Henry	Nelson	Snow
Biggerstaff	Hinkley	Oakley	Sours
Chapin	Hoffman	O'Brien	Stevenson
Clark	Hopkins	Ormsbee	Sutton
Cowan	Hulse	Palmer	Symonds
Croll	Jerome, Jas. D.	Penney	Tufts
Daprato	Jerome, W. F.	Person	Ward
Edwards	Keen	Petermann	Warner
Empson	Kemmerling	Place	Watkins
Evens	Koehler	Pray	Wells
Ewing	Kooyers	Quintel	Whiteley
Follett	Lamphere	Reed, C. J.	Wiley
Foote	Leland	Robertson	Woodruff
Ford, R. L.	Lewis	Ross	Wright
Ford, Sheridan	McMillan	Shields	Speaker
Gayde	Martin		

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NAYS.

Mr. Griggs	Mr. Root	Mr. Stevens	Wolcott
Miller			

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

House bill No. 14 (file No. 22), entitled

A bill to amend section 4 of Act No. 205, of the Public Acts of 1887, entitled "An act to revise the laws authorizing the business of banking, and to establish a Banking Department for the supervision of such business," being section 6093 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by Act No. 11, of the Public Acts of 1913, to enable State banks to become member banks under the federal reserve act.

Was read a third time and passed, two-thirds of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Green	Mr. Martz	Mr. Smith, Newel
Anderson	Griggs	Matthews	Smith, S. J.
Ashley	Haviland	Miller	Snow
Averill	Henry	Moore	Sours
Biggerstaff	Hinkley	Nelson	Stevens
Chapin	Hoffman	Oakley	Stevenson
Clark	Hopkins	O'Brien	Sutton
Cowan	Hulse	Ormsbee	Symonds
Croll	Jerome, Jas. D.	Palmer	Tufts
Daprato	Jerome, W. F.	Penney	Van Antwerp
Edwards	Jones	Person	Ward
Empson	Keen	Petermann	Warner
Evens	Kemmerling	Pray	Watkins
Ewing	Koehler	Quintel	Wells
Follett	Kooyers	Reed, C. J.	Whiteley
Foote	Lamphere	Robertson	Wiley
Ford, R. L.	Leland	Root	Wolcott
Ford, Sheridan	Lewis	Ross	Woodruff
Gayde	McMillan	Shields	Wright
Gettel	Martin	Sly	Speaker

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NAYS.

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

House bill No. 56 (file No. 23), entitled

A bill to amend section 5 of Act No. 147 of the Public Acts of 1891, entitled "An act to provide for the election of a county commissioner of schools, for the appointment of school examiners, and to define the duties and fix the compensation for the same, and to repeal all existing acts or parts of acts conflicting with the provisions of this act," being compiler's section 4812 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as last amended by Act No. 231 of the Public Acts of 1913.

Was read a third time and, the question being on its passage,

Mr. Follett moved to amend the bill

By inserting after the word "sixteen" in line 24, section 5, the words "Provided, further, That no certificate shall be granted under the provisions of this act to any person who, having arrived at the age of 21 years, is not a citizen of the United States."

The amendment was adopted, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor.

Mr. Symonds moved to amend the bill

By striking out of line 18 of section 5 the words "or in the Ferris Institute."

The amendment was adopted, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor.

Mr. Ashley moved to amend the bill

By inserting in line 18 of section 5 after the word "State" the words "or any normal training school conducted by any municipality in the State."

The amendment was adopted, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor.

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Green	Mr. Miller	Mr. Smith, S. J.
Anderson	Griggs	Moore	Snow
Ashley	Haviland	Nelson	Sours
Averill	Henry	Oakley	Stevens
Biggerstaff	Hinkley	O'Brien	Stevenson
Chapin	Hoffman	Ormsbee	Sutton
Clark	Hopkins	Palmer	Symonds
Cowan	Hulse	Penney	Tufts
Croll	Jerome, Jas. D.	Person	Van Antwerp
Daprato	Jerome, W. F.	Petermann	Ward
Edwards	Jones	Place	Warner
Empson	Keen	Pray	Watkins
Evens	Kemmerling	Quintel	Wells
Ewing	Koehler	Reed, C. J.	Whiteley
Follett	Kooyers	Robertson	Wiley
Foote	Lamphere	Ross	Wolcott
Ford, R. L.	Lewis	Shields	Woodruff
Ford, Sheridan	Martin	Sly	Wright
Gayde	Martz	Smith, Newel	Speaker
Gettel			

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NAYS.

Mr. McMillan Mr. Matthews

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

House bill No. 52 (file No. 24), entitled

A bill to amend sections 1, 2 and 3 of Act No. 144 of the Public Acts of 1901, entitled "An act to provide for the establishment and maintenance of rural high schools," approved May 21, 1901, as last amended by Act No. 97 of the Public Acts of 1909; to permit of the discontinuance of any rural high school established under the provisions of said act.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Green	Mr. Miller	Mr. Smith, S. J.
Anderson	Griggs	Moore	Snow
Ashley	Henry	Nelson	Sours
Averill	Hinkley	Oakley	Stevens
Biggerstaff	Hoffman	O'Brien	Stevenson
Chapin	Hopkins	Ormsbee	Sutton
Clark	Hulse	Palmer	Symonds
Cowan	Jerome, J. D.	Penney	Tufts
Croll	Jerome, W. F.	Person	Van Antwerp
Daprato	Jones	Petermann	Ward
Edwards	Keen	Place	Warner
Empson	Kemmerling	Pray	Watkins
Evens	Koehler	Quintel	Wells
Ewing	Kooyers	Reed, C. J.	Whiteley
Follett	Lamphere	Robertson	Wiley
Foote	Leland	Root	Wolcott
Ford, R. L.	Lewis	Ross	Woodruff
Ford, Sheridan	McMillan	Shields	Wright
Gayde	Martin	Sly	Speaker
Gettel	Martz	Smith, Newel	79

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Stevens moved that when the House adjourns today it stand adjourned until tomorrow at 9:00 o'clock a. m.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Person offered the following resolution:

House resolution No. 31.

Resolved, That the use of Representative Hall be granted to the American Neutrality League for Friday night, February the 19th, for the purpose of a public lecture and discussion by Judge Ryan of Chicago, Rev. Reuskampf of Detroit, and Governor Ferris.

The resolution was adopted.

Mr. Croll moved that the House adjourn.

The motion prevailed, the time being 10:00 o'clock p. m.

The Speaker declared the House adjourned until tomorrow at 9:00 o'clock a. m.

CHARLES S. PIERCE,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.

TWENTY-SIXTH DAY.

Lansing, Tuesday, February 16.

9 o'clock a. m.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk, who announced that a quorum was present.

Messrs. Bosch and Olmsted were absent with leave.

Messrs. Culver, DeBoer, Flowers, Francis, Martin, Nank, Thomas Read, Rice, Rogers, Sherman, Frank A. Smith, Newel Smith, Vine, Weissert, Wieland and Wood were absent without leave.

Mr. Wolcott moved that all absentees without leave be excused from today's session.

The motion prevailed.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

Mr. Wright presented

Petition No. 137.

Petition of E. E. Leland and 55 other citizens of Washtenaw county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 173, relative to spearing of fish in Whitmore lake.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Fish and Fisheries.

Mr. Wright presented

Petition No. 138.

Petition of A. G. Nickels and 14 other citizens of Monroe county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Croll presented

Petition No. 139.

Petition of Henry Bennett and 2 other citizens of Gladwin, Gladwin county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Croll presented

Petition No. 140.

Petition of S. C. Chase and 20 other citizens of Roscommon, Roscommon county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Penney presented

Petition No. 141.

Petition of J. H. Lytto and 69 other citizens of St. Charles, Saginaw county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Sheridan Ford presented

Petition No. 142.

Petition of J. H. Schuler and 19 other citizens of Detroit, Wayne county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Hulse presented

Petition No. 143.

Petition of Stephen Rowell and 26 other citizens of St. Johns, Clinton county, in favor of a law that will permit the killing of one deer of either sex.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Woodruff presented

Petition No. 144.

Petition of Edward Beattie and five hundred other citizens of Wayne county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 4, relative to the taking of fish from certain lakes and connecting waters in the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Fish and Fisheries.

Mr. Symonds presented

Petition No. 145.

Protest of Henry Wachter and 25 other citizens of Bagley, Menominee county, against any increase in the passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Griggs presented

Petition No. 146.

Petition of Alice Shattuck and 70 other teachers of Pontiac, Oakland county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 64, relative to a retirement fund for teachers.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Griggs presented

Petition No. 147.

Petition of Homer Harwood and 4 other citizens of Warren, Oakland

county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Ashley presented

Petition No. 148.

Petition of J. D. Elder and 40 other citizens of Detroit, Wayne county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Keen presented

Petition No. 149.

Petition of Frank A. Sweeney and 11 other citizens of Mt. Pleasant, Isabella county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Henry presented

Petition No. 150.

Petition of Anne Shultz and 10 other citizens of East Leroy, Calhoun county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Henry presented

Petition No. 151.

Petition of Henry Wells and 2 other citizens of Burlington, Calhoun county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Henry presented

Petition No. 152.

Petition of W. S. Thunder and 9 other citizens of Ceresco, Calhoun county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Henry presented

Petition No. 153.

Petition of T. O. Herce and 7 other citizens of East LeRoy, Calhoun county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Henry presented

Petition No. 154.

Petition of E. B. Pratt and 16 other citizens of Kalamazoo, Kalamazoo county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Henry presented

Petition No. 155.

Petition of Isaac Swartz and 1 other citizen of Athens, Calhoun county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Evens presented

Petition No. 156.

Petition of J. C. Chapman and 20 other citizens of Sherwood, Branch county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Evens presented

Petition No. 157.

Petition of Charles O. Johnson and 27 other citizens of Union City, Branch county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Matthews presented

Petition No. 158.

Petition of George Hatfield and 33 other citizens of Three Oaks, Berrien county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Lewis presented

Petition No. 159.

Petition of G. A. Schoolcraft and 5 other citizens of Kendall, Van Buren county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Sheridan Ford presented

Petition No. 160.

Petition of J. Donovan and 50 other citizens of Detroit, Wayne county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Lewis presented

Petition No. 161.

Petition of Juan McKeyes & Co., and 16 other citizens of Lawton, Van Buren county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Lewis presented

Petition No. 162.

Petition of L. A. Ceilner and 3 other citizens of Lacota, VanBuren

county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Ormsbee introduced
House bill No. 188, entitled

A bill to amend Act No. 185 of the Public Acts of 1899, entitled "An act to provide for the employment of women physicians in certain institutions of this State," as last amended by Act No. 85 of the Public Acts of 1901.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Public Health.

GENERAL ORDERS OF THE DAY.

Mr. Follett moved that the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole on the general orders.

The motion prevailed.

The Speaker called Mr. Follett to the chair.

After a time spent in the consideration of bills upon the general orders, the committee rose, and, through its chairman, made a report recommending the passage, without amendment, of the following entitled bills:

House bill No. 106 (file No. 30), entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of Act 243 of the Public Acts of 1903, as amended by Act No. 119 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act in relation to the manufacture and sale of renovated butter."

House bill No. 122 (file No. 31), entitled

A bill to amend section 4 of Act No. 257 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to regulate the construction and operation of moving picture shows and theatres showing moving pictures, in which celluloid films are used, to provide for an inspection fee for operating the same, and to place supervision of such shows and theatres under the department of the State Fire Marshal," approved May 7, 1913, to permit the holding of moving picture exhibitions above the first or main floor in fireproof buildings.

House bill No. 115 (file No. 32), entitled

A bill to repeal Act No. 1 of the Session Laws of 1869, as amended, entitled "An act to designate the time and provide the manner of electing United States senators," being sections 1144, 1145, 1146 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

House bill No. 121 (file No. 33), entitled

A bill to amend section 16 of Act No. 281 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act relative to the nomination of party candidates for public offices and delegates to political conventions; to regulate primary

elections and to prescribe penalties for violations of its provisions; and to provide for the printing upon election ballots of the names of candidates nominated under the terms of this act, and to repeal Act No. 4 of the Public Acts of the Extra Session of the year 1907, and all local primary election acts contravening the provisions of this act, except as in this act otherwise provided," approved June 2, 1909, as last amended by Act No. 118 of the Public Acts of 1913; relative to the nomination of candidates for United States senator.

House joint resolution No. 2 (file No. 34), entitled

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to article VIII of the Constitution of this State, by adding a new section thereto, to stand as section 15 of said article, authorizing drainage districts to issue bonds for drainage purposes.

House bill No. 37 (file No. 36), entitled

A bill to provide for the preservation in the State Library of all reports, bulletins, pamphlets and other publications issued by any department of the State government.

And

House bill No. 31 (file No. 37), entitled

A bill to repeal Act No. 87 of the Public Acts of 1907, entitled "An act to prohibit the spearing of fish in any of the public streams or rivers in certain townships of Van Buren county," subject to a referendum to the electors of each township affected before this act becomes effective in such township.

The bills were placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

The Committee of the Whole reported

House bill No. 8 (file No. 3), entitled

A bill to amend sections 1 and 2 of Act No. 91 of the Session Laws of 1839, entitled "An act to provide for the recording of town plats, and for vacating the same in certain cases," being compiler's sections 3372 and 3373 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as last amended by Act No. 297 of the Public Acts of 1913.

Recommending the adoption of the following amendments thereto, and the passage of the bill when so amended:

1. Amend by inserting in line 6 of section 1 after the word "ink" the words "or some other equally substantial and distinct method."

2. Amend by inserting in line 9 of section 1 after the word "size" the words "the paper shall be so pasted on muslin that it cannot be detached therefrom."

3. Amend by inserting in line 63 of section 1 after the word "recorded" the words "Provided, That nothing herein contained shall require the dedication of any other or further streets than those shown on the plat."

The question being on the adoption of the proposed amendments made by the committee,

The amendments were adopted and the bill was placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

The Committee of the Whole reported

House bill No. 125 (file No. 29), entitled

A bill to amend section 28 of Act No. 182 of the Public Acts of 1885, entitled "An act to provide for the appointment of a State Live Stock

Sanitary Commission and a State Veterinarian, and to prescribe their powers and duties, and to prevent and suppress contagious and infectious diseases among the live stock of the State," as last amended by Act No. 199 of the Public Acts of 1913, and to add four new sections thereto to stand as sections 29, 30, 31 and 32; relative to the suppression of hog cholera.

Recommending the adoption of the following amendments thereto, and the passage of the bill when so amended:

1. Amend by inserting in line 14 of section 28 after the word "dollars" the words "nor more than five dollars."

2. Amend by inserting in line 18 of section 30 after the word "embarkation" the words "and destination."

3. Amend by striking out of line 10 of section 29 the words "and administration."

The question being on the adoption of the proposed amendments made by the committee,

The amendments were adopted and the bill was placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

Messrs DeBoer, Rice, Frank A. Smith and Thomas Read entered the House and took their seats.

By unanimous consent, the House returned to the order of

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting Senate bill No. 48 (file No. 61), entitled

A bill to require plans for all school buildings and for additions to school buildings, the cost of which shall exceed three hundred dollars, to be approved by the Superintendent of Public Instruction and the Secretary of the State Board of Health, and to authorize the condemnation of school houses under certain conditions.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Haviland moved that the House adjourn.

The motion prevailed, the time being 10:15 o'clock a. m.

The Speaker declared the House adjourned until tomorrow at 2 o'clock p. m.

CHARLES S. PIERCE,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.

TWENTY-SEVENTH DAY.

Lansing, Wednesday, February 17.

2:00 o'clock p. m.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

Religious exercises were conducted by Rev. Horace Cady Wilson, of the First Presbyterian church, of Lansing.

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk, who announced that a quorum was present.

Mr. Olmsted was absent with leave.

Messrs. Flowers and Martz were absent without leave.

Mr. Oakley moved that all absentees without leave be excused from today's session.

The motion prevailed.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

Mr. Ashley presented

Petition No. 163.

Petition of Hugh Turner and 22 other citizens of Detroit, Wayne county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Matthews presented

Petition No. 164.

Petition of B. E. Steele and 12 other citizens of Galien, Berrien county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Matthews presented

Petition No. 165.

Petition of R. Schaefer and 20 other citizens of Three Oaks, Berrien county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Matthews presented

Petition No. 166.

Petition of Hunter Brothers and 74 other citizens of Niles, Berrien county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Clarence J. Reed presented

Petition No. 167.

Petition of Henry McGill and 9 other citizens of Spring Arbor, Jackson county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Clarence J. Reed presented

Petition No. 168.

Petition of W. Buckingham and 7 other citizens of Jackson county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Place presented

Petition No. 169.

Petition of A. J. Snyder and 18 other citizens of St. Joseph county, in favor of the present deer hunting law.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Place presented

Petition No. 170.

Petition of John Watson and 8 other citizens of Colon, St. Joseph county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Place presented

Petition No. 171.

Petition of J. F. Wall and 4 other citizens of Wasepi, St. Joseph county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Place presented

Petition No. 172.

Petition of E. L. Sekell and 22 other citizens of Three Rivers, St.

Joseph county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Place presented

Petition No. 173.

Petition of H. N. Smoll and 12 other citizens of Centerville, St. Joseph county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Schmidt presented

Petition No. 174.

Petition of L. H. Norman and 23 other citizens of Reed City, Osceola county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Wells presented

Petition No. 175.

Petition of C. Holtsinger and 6 other citizens of Dailey, Cass county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Wells presented

Petition No. 176.

Petition of W. H. Pierce and 38 other citizens of Jones, Cass county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Wells presented

Petition No. 177.

Petition of P. D. Beckwith and 10 other citizens of Dowagiac, Cass county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Wells presented

Petition No. 178.

Petition of R. L. Hampton and 5 other citizens of Glenwood, Cass county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Wells presented

Petition No. 179.

Petition of I. Voorhees and 8 other citizens of Cassopolis, Cass county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Wood presented

Petition No. 180.

Petition of A. W. Davis and 93 other citizens of Jackson county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Amon presented

Petition No. 181.

Petition of Geo. Montague and 24 other citizens of Mecosta county, in favor of the present deer hunting law.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Wright presented

Petition No. 182.

Petition of Ola A. Loveland and 77 others, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 14, relative to establishing a State Reformatory for Women.

The petition was referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Martin presented

Petition No. 183.

Petition of H. W. Shimp and 6 other teachers of Perry, Shiawassee county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 64, relative to a retirement fund for teachers.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Penney presented

Petition No. 184.

Petition of R. H. Knapp and 13 other citizens and firms of Saginaw, Saginaw county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Oakley presented

Petition No. 185.

Petition of F. G. Stegall and 66 other citizens of Bay City, Bay county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Henry presented

Petition No. 186.

Resolutions adopted by the Hillsdale United Commercial Travelers, Council No. 116, of Hillsdale, Hillsdale county, protesting against any increase in the passenger rates charged by the railroads of the State.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Henry presented
Petition No. 187.

Resolutions adopted by Cadillac Council No. 143, United Commercial Travelers of America, of Detroit, Wayne county, protesting against any increase in the passenger rates charged by the railroads of the State.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Henry presented
Petition No. 188.

Protest of Grand Rapids Council No. 131, United Commercial Travelers, of Grand Rapids, Kent county, against any increase in the passenger rates charged by the railroads of the State.

The protest was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Henry presented
Petition No. 189.

Protest of United Commercial Travelers, Council No. 253 of Battle Creek, Calhoun county, against any increase in the passenger rates charged by the railroads of the State.

The protest was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Henry presented
Petition No. 190.

Petition of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, Division No. 812, of Detroit, Wayne county, endorsing an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Henry presented
Petition No. 191.

Resolutions adopted by Order of Railway Conductors, Division No. 565, endorsing an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Henry presented
Petition No. 192.

Resolutions adopted by The Railway Conductors of Division No. 6, of Battle Creek, Calhoun county, endorsing an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Henry presented
Petition No. 193.

Petition of The Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, Fred Murt-smith Division No. 831, of Detroit, Wayne county, endorsing an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Wright presented

Petition No. 194.

Petition of F. M. Freeman and 63 other citizens of Manchester, Washtenaw county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Wright presented

Petition No. 195.

Petition of Geo. E. Bliss and 85 other citizens of Ann Arbor, Washtenaw county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Wright presented

Petition No. 196.

Petition of Geo. A. Cook and 23 other citizens of Ypsilanti, Washtenaw county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Wright presented

Petition No. 197.

Petition of G. J. Shaefer and 35 other citizens of Monroe county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Wright presented

Petition No. 198.

Petition of Frank A. Smith and 6 other citizens of Dexter, Washtenaw county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Martin presented

Petition No. 199.

Protest of R. Rathburn and 19 other citizens of Vernon, Shiawassee county, against any increase in the passenger rates charged by the railroads of the State.

The protest was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Martin presented

Petition No. 200.

Petition of T. Heney and 20 other citizens of Owosso, Shiawassee county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Martin presented

Petition No. 201.

Petition of F. B. Rowley and 6 other citizens of Henderson, Shiawassee

county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Martin presented

Petition No. 202.

Petition of P. H. Jago and 2 other citizens of Bennington, Shiawassee county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Martin presented

Petition No. 203.

Resolutions adopted by the citizens of Durand, Shiawassee county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Martin presented

Petition No. 204.

Petition of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers Division No. 650, of Durand, Shiawassee county, endorsing an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Martin presented

Petition No. 205.

Petition of Emil T. Vigland and 54 other citizens of Elberta, Benzie county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Croll presented

Petition No. 206.

Petition of L. Schrack and 4 other citizens of Gladwin, Gladwin county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Culver presented

Petition No. 207.

Petition of C. E. Newton and 194 other citizens of Detroit, Wayne county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Sherman presented

Petition No. 208.

Petition of F. B. Tinglan and 15 other citizens of Vassar, Tuscola county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Sherman presented

Petition No. 209.

Petition of J. N. McAllister and 11 other citizens of Caro, Tuscola county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Sherman presented

Petition No 210.

Petition of M. M. Bartholmy and 9 other citizens of Bach, Huron county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Sherman presented

Petition No. 211.

Petition of Frank Pesick and 12 other citizens of Reese, Tuscola county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Sherman presented

Petition No. 212.

Petition of L. C. Staley and 5 other citizens of Vassar and Watrous-ville, Tuscola county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Anderson presented

Petition No. 213.

Petition of E. M. Dixon and 27 other citizens of Benzie county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Samuel J. Smith presented

Petition No. 214.

Protest of J. I. Royee and 41 other citizens of Wolverine, Cheboygan county, against any increase in the passenger rates charged by the railroads of the State.

The protest was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Follett presented

Petition No. 215.

Petition of E. C. Hutchins & Sons and 8 other citizens of West Branch, Ogemaw county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Follett presented

Petition No. 216.

Petition of Jas. Mann and 14 other citizens of Sterling, Arenac coun-

ty, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Wolcott presented

Petition No. 217.

Petition of E. M. Sona and 17 other citizens of Albion, Calhoun county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Wolcott presented

Petition No. 218.

Petition of Phillip Heyser and 20 other citizens of Marshall, Calhoun county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Wolcott presented

Petition No. 219.

Petition of L. F. Mack and 5 other citizens of Tekonsha, Calhoun county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

The Speaker presented

Petition No. 220.

Petition of Synn Clark and 7 other citizens of Clarion, Charlevoix county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Lewis presented

Petition No. 221.

Petition of Henry Ferguson and 52 other citizens of Bloomingdale, Van Buren county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Lewis presented

Petition No. 222.

Petition of T. F. Mahoney and 28 other citizens of Decatur, Van Buren county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Martin presented

Petition No. 223.

Petition of F. G. Lee and 12 other citizens of Laingsburg, Shiawassee county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Wright presented
Petition No. 224.

Petition of G. C. Thomson and 55 other citizens of Ypsilanti, Washtenaw county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Hinkley presented
Petition No. 225.

Petition of Sheldon Cole and 30 other citizens of Oden, Emmet county, asking for the repeal of Act No. 125 of the Public Acts of 1899, relative to the spearing of fish in Crooked lake.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Fish and Fisheries.

Mr. Hinkley presented
Petition No. 226.

Petition of Levi Pond and 22 other citizens of Littlefield township, Emmet county, requesting the passage of a bill permitting the transfer of certain moneys from the public building fund to the highway improvement fund of said township.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Towns and Counties.

Mr. Wieland presented
Petition No. 227.

Resolutions adopted by Milford Grange No. 1570, Patrons of Husbandry, of Milford, Oakland county, favoring State-wide prohibition of the liquor traffic.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Sherman presented
Petition No. 228.

Petition of Fred H. Korte and 37 other citizens of Unionville, Tuscola county, in favor of a law that will permit the killing of one deer of either sex.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Sherman presented
Petition No. 229.

Petition of H. H. Smith and 48 other citizens of Caro, Tuscola county, in favor of a law that will permit the killing of one deer of either sex.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Schmidt presented
Petition No. 230.

Petition of Wm. Foster and 67 other citizens of Osceola county, in favor of the present deer law hunting law.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Wright presented
Petition No. 231.

Petition of M. E. Wash and 49 other citizens of Dexter, Washtenaw

county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Whiteley presented
Petition No. 232.

Petition of A. Joseph and 11 other citizens of Grayling, Crawford county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Whiteley presented
Petition No. 233.

Resolutions adopted by Grayling Board of Trade, of Grayling, Crawford county, favoring an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Shields presented
Petition No. 234.

Petition of Carl R. Mayer and 56 other citizens of Houghton county, requesting the passage of more stringent laws to protect and preserve wild game, providing for a hunter's license, the payment of a bounty of \$50 for killing wolves and the levying of a one mill tax for repurchasing available wild lands.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Woodruff presented
Petition No. 235.

Petition of Dr. James O'Hagan and 65 other citizens of Wayne county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Chapin presented
Petition No. 236.

Petition of G. A. Matthews and 42 other citizens of Alba, Antrim county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Warner presented
Petition No. 237.

Petition of Davis Smith and 36 other citizens of Lake Odessa, Ionia county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Matthews presented
Petition No. 238.

Petition of P. J. Twost and 48 other citizens of Niles, Berrien county,

in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Daigneau presented
Petition No. 239.

Petition of Willard Browner and 80 other citizens of Berrien county, in favor of an increase in the passenger rates on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Daigneau presented
Petition No. 240.

Petition of Henry Phillips and 2 other citizens of Centerville, St. Joseph county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Daigneau presented
Petition No. 241.

Resolutions adopted by the National Society, Daughters of the American Revolution, of Benton Harbor, Berrien county, favoring the construction of a fire proof addition to, or separate building from the present Capitol building.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on State Capitol and Public Buildings.

Mr. Nelson presented
Petition No. 242.

Petition of D. H. Bodett and 43 other citizens of Thomaston, Gogebic county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Clark presented
Petition No. 243.

Petition of F. D. Stanton and 4 other citizens of Mason, Ingham county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Clark presented
Petition No. 244.

Petition of W. F. Prescott and 11 other citizens of Leslie, Ingham county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Clark presented
Petition No. 245.

Petition of Wallace Rossman and 27 other citizens of the Township

of Onondaga, Ingham county, in favor of the present deer hunting law.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Nank presented

Petition No. 246.

Petition of John C. Charbeneau and 706 citizens of Macomb, Wayne and St. Clair counties, requesting the passage of a bill permitting the spearing of fish in certain waters of said counties during certain winter months.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Fish and Fisheries.

Mr. Samuel J. Smith presented

Petition No. 247.

Petition of B. C. Jolly and 18 other citizens of Cheboygan, Cheboygan county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Samuel J. Smith presented

Petition No. 248.

Petition of J. McDonald and 9 other citizens of Wolverine, Cheboygan county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Sutton presented

Petition No. 249.

Petition of H. G. Holmes and 20 other citizens of Chelsea, Washtenaw county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Lewis presented

Petition No. 250.

Petition of H. H. Adams and 24 other citizens of Lawton, Van Buren county, in favor of the present deer hunting law.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Wells presented

Petition No. 251.

Petition of F. L. Lake and 27 other citizens of Pokagon, Cass county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Frank A. Smith presented

Petition No. 252.

Petition of Dell Swartz and 157 other citizens of Wexford county, in favor of the present deer hunting law.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Roads and Bridges, by Mr. Daprato, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 113 (file No. 46), entitled

A bill to amend section 10 of chapter 3 of Act No. 283 of the Public Acts of 1911, entitled "An act to revise, consolidate and add to the laws relating to the establishment, opening, improvement, maintenance and use of the public highways and private roads; the condemnation of property and gravel therefor; the building, repairing and preservation of bridges; setting and protecting shade trees; drainage; cutting weeds and brush within this State, and providing for the election and defining the powers, duties and compensation of State, county, township and district highway officials," approved June 2, 1909, as last amended by Act No. 355 of the Public Acts of 1913; relative to number of signers to applications for submission of question of bond issue in good roads districts.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Roads and Bridges, by Mr. Daprato, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 96 (file No. 47), entitled

A bill to amend chapter 4 of Act No. 283 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to revise, consolidate and add to the laws relating to the establishment, opening, improvement, maintenance and use of the public highways and private roads; the condemnation of property and gravel therefor; the building, repairing and preservation of bridges; setting and protecting shade trees; drainage; cutting weeds and brush within this State, and providing for the election and defining the powers, duties and compensation of State, county, township and district highway officials," approved June 2, 1909, by adding thereto one new section to stand as section 6a; to provide for decreasing or increasing the membership of boards of county road commissioners in counties operating under the county road system.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on the Michigan School for the Blind, by Mr. Wieland, chairman, reported

House bill No. 80, entitled

A bill to provide an appropriation for the Michigan School for the Blind for certain special purposes and for current expenses for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, and to provide a tax therefor.

With the following amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in and that when so amended the bill pass:

1. Amend section 2, lines 1 and 2, by striking out the words "one hundred seventy-two thousand five hundred dollars," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "one hundred ten thousand five hundred dollars."

2. Amend section 2, line 4, by striking out the words "for the purchase of a farm the sum of ten thousand dollars."

3. Amend section 2, lines 5 and 6, by striking out the words "for fencing, two thousand dollars."

4. Amend section 2, line 7, by striking out the word "remodeling" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "rebuilding."

5. Amend section 2, line 8, by striking out the words "for remodeling the south wing, fifty thousand dollars."

6. Amend section 4, lines 2 and 3, by striking out the words "two hundred thirty-four thousand nine hundred twenty-seven dollars" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "one hundred twenty-two thousand nine hundred twenty-seven dollars."

7. Amend section 4, lines 4 and 5, by striking out the words "sixty-two thousand four hundred twenty-seven dollars" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "one hundred twelve thousand four hundred twenty-seven dollars."

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the amendments to the bill recommended by the committee,

The amendments were adopted.

The bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The Committee on Michigan Agricultural College, by Mr. Pray, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 110, entitled

A bill making appropriation for a library and auditorium building for Michigan Agricultural College, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

With the following amendment thereto, recommending that the amendment be concurred in and that when so amended the bill pass:

1. Amend by striking out of line 3 in section 1, the word "auditorium" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "gymnasium."

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the amendment to the bill recommended by the committee,

The amendment was adopted.

The bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The Committee on Michigan Agricultural College, by Mr. Pray, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 111 (file No. 48), entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of Act No. 232 of the Public Acts of 1901, entitled "An act to extend aid to the Michigan Agricultural College," as amended by Act No. 303 of the Public Acts of 1905, and Act No. 266 of the Public Acts of 1907.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Hoffman introduced

House bill No. 189, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1, 3, 16, 20, 25, 28 and 38 and to repeal sections 18, 21, 42 and all other sections and parts of sections conflicting with the provisions of this act, of Act No. 281 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act relative to the nomination of party candidates for public office and delegates to political conventions; to regulate primary elections and to prescribe penalties for violations of its provisions; and to provide for the printing upon election ballots of the names of candidates nominated under the terms of this act; and to repeal Act No. 4 of the Public Acts of the Extra Session of the year 1907, and all local primary election acts contravening the provisions of this act, except as in this act otherwise provided," approved June 2, 1909, as amended by Act No. 279 of the Public Acts of 1911, and as further amended by Act No. 118 of the Public Acts of 1913.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Elections.

Mr. Keen introduced

House bill No. 190, entitled

A bill to create and establish the office of county correction officer in counties of this State having a population of less than one hundred thousand; to authorize the appointment of a deputy for such officer in certain cases; to provide for the fixing of the compensation of such officer and deputy; to abolish the offices of county agent of the State Board of Corrections and Charities, county truant officer and probation officer, appointed under Act 105 of the Public Acts of 1913, and to vest the duties of said offices in the county correction officer; and to supersede all acts or parts of acts contravening the provisions hereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. James D. Jerome introduced

House bill No. 191, entitled

A bill to amend section 7 of chapter 1 of Act No. 283 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to revise, consolidate and add to the laws relating to the establishment, opening, improvement, maintenance and use of the public highways and private roads; the condemnation of property and gravel therefor; the building, repairing and preservation of bridges; setting and protecting shade trees; drainage; cutting weeds and brush within the State, and providing for the election and defining the powers, duties and compensation of State, county, township and district highway officials."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Roads and Bridges.

Mr. James D. Jerome introduced

House bill No. 192, entitled

A bill to amend sections 4, 14, 16, 18, 19 and 22 of an act entitled "An act to regulate the practice of pharmacy in the State of Michigan,"

same being Act No. 134 of the Public Acts of 1885, approved June 2, 1885, as amended by Act No. 332 of the Public Acts of 1905, approved June 20, 1905.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Public Health.

Mr. Evens introduced

House bill No. 193, entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of chapter 3, and section 1 of chapter 8, of Act No. 254 of the Public Acts of 1897, entitled "An act to provide for the construction and maintenance of drains, and the assessment and collection of taxes therefor, and to repeal all other laws relative thereto," approved June 2, 1897, being sections 4320 and 4379 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as last amended by Act No. 185 of the Public Acts of 1911; relative to submitting the question of necessity to township boards.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Drainage.

Mr. Anderson introduced

House bill No. 194, entitled

A bill to regulate livery stable keepers and persons carrying and transporting passengers over the public highways of this State for hire, and to impose a specific tax upon the same for the benefit of the highway fund of this State, and to provide for the license of said persons in accordance therewith, and to punish violations thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Penney introduced

House bill No. 195, entitled

A bill to provide for the payment of bounties for the killing of common rats.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. DeBoer introduced

House bill No. 196, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1 and 3 of Act 200 of the Public Acts of 1905, entitled "An act to provide for the compulsory education of children, for penalties for failure to comply with the provisions of this act, and to repeal all acts or parts of acts conflicting with the provisions of the same."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Amon introduced

House bill No. 197, entitled

A bill to amend section 7 of Act 242 of the Public Acts of 1863, entitled "An act for the incorporation of hospitals or asylums in cases where valuable grants or emoluments have been made to trustees for such purposes," approved March 20, 1863, and being section 8294 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Place introduced

House bill No. 198, entitled

A bill to amend section 11 of Act 152 of the Public Acts of 1885, entitled "An act to authorize the establishment of a home for disabled soldiers, sailors and marines in the State of Michigan," as last amended by Act 2 of the Public Acts of 1907, Extra Session, and to add thereto two new sections to be known as sections 11 "a" and 11 "b".

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Michigan Soldiers' Home.

Mr. Rogers introduced

House bill No. 199, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 and add a new section to be known as section 9 of Act No. 256 of the Public Acts of 1911, entitled "An act to encourage the breeding of horses; to regulate the public service of stallions; to require the registration of stallions, and to provide for the enforcement thereof," and to repeal Act 145 of the Public Acts of 1907, entitled "An act for the protection of owners and keepers of stallions," and to repeal Act 166 of the Public Acts of 1905, entitled "An act for the protection of owners and keepers of stallions," and to repeal Act No. 28 of the Public Acts of 1887 entitled "An act to protect the owners and keepers of stallions," and the acts amendatory thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Mr. Gettel introduced

House bill No. 200, entitled

A bill making appropriations for building and operating a fish hatchery on or near the head waters of the Sebewaing river and Saginaw Bay, near the village of Sebewaing, for hatching walled-eyed pike, perch and other food fish for planting in the inland and border waters of the State of Michigan, said fish hatchery to be built, equipped and operated by the State Board of Fish Commissioners; and to provide a tax to meet the same.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Fish and Fisheries.

Mr. Person introduced

House bill No. 201, entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the Michigan Agricultural College for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1916, to meet a deficiency in the current expense or aid fund for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1914, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Agricultural College.

Mr. Person introduced

House bill No. 202, entitled

A bill to provide for the employment of interpreters in criminal cases, and to fix the compensation therefor.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Petermann introduced
House bill No. 203, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of Act No. 232 of the Public Acts of 1903, entitled "An act to revise and consolidate the laws, providing for the incorporation of manufacturing and mercantile companies or any union of the two, and for the incorporation of companies for carrying on any other lawful business, except such as are precluded from organization under this act by its express provisions, and to prescribe the powers and fix the duties and liabilities of such corporations," by adding a new section thereto to stand as section 1-(a).

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Miller introduced
House bill No. 204, entitled

A bill to prohibit the driving of automobiles or motor vehicles by persons under the influence of liquor, and to provide penalties for violations.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Roads and Bridges.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 8 (file No. 3), entitled

A bill to amend sections 1 and 2 of Act No. 91 of the Session Laws of 1839, entitled "An act to provide for the recording of town plats, and for vacating the same in certain cases," being compiler's sections 3372 and 3373 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as last amended by Act No. 297 of the Public Acts of 1913.

Was read a third time and, the question being on its passage,

Mr. Nelson moved to amend the bill

1. By inserting in line 50 of section 1 after the word "plat" the words "Provided, That if said township board, city council or village council refuse to approve said map or plat, it shall notify in writing, within five days, the proprietor or proprietors, or their agents, of such non-approval, giving its reasons therefor."

2. By inserting in line 67 of section 1 after the word "thereon" the words "and if the map or plat is not approved, and rejected for not being in conformity with the requirements of this act, said board shall notify, in writing, within five days, the proprietor or proprietors, or their agents, of such rejection and non-approval, giving its reasons therefor."

3. By inserting in line 107 of section 1 after the word "notify" the words "in writing."

4. By inserting in line 108 of section 1 after the word "proprietors" the words "or their agents."

The amendments were adopted, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor.

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Green.	Mr. Nelson	Mr. Smith, S. J.
Anderson	Griggs	Oakley	Snow
Averill	Haviland	O'Brien	Sours
Biggerstaff	Henry	Ormsbee	Stevens
Bosch	Hinkley	Penney	Stevenson
Chapin	Hoffman	Person	Sutton
Clark	Hopkins	Petermann	Symcads
Cowan	Hulse	Place	Tufts
Croll	Jerome, Jas. D.	Pray	Van Antwerp
Culver	Jerome, Wm. F.	Quintel	Vine
Daigneau	Jones	Read, Thos.	Ward
Daprato	Keen	Reed, C. J.	Warner
De Boer	Kemmerling	Rice	Watkins
Edwards	Koehler	Robertson	Weissert
Empson	Kooyers	Rogers	Wells
Evens	Lamphere	Root	Whiteley
Ewing	Leland	Ross	Wieland
Follett	Lewis	Schmidt	Wiley
Foott	McMillan	Sherman	Wolcott
Ford, R. L.	Martin	Shields	Wood
Ford, Sheridan	Matthews	Sly	Woodruff
Francis	Miller	Smith, F. A.	Wright
Gayde	Moore	Smith, Newel	Speaker
Gettel	Nank		

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NAYS.

Mr. Ashley

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Sherman offered the following resolution:

House resolution No. 32.

Whereas, The question of amending the State law relative to passenger rates on railroads in this State is now before the Legislature, and

Whereas, Nearly all of the information that has been presented for our consideration has been presented by those representing the railroads of this State, and

Whereas, The members of this House feel the necessity of obtaining all the non-partisan information available concerning this subject before they express themselves by a vote for or against such an amendment, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the House of Representatives respectfully request the members of the State Railroad Commission to convey to this body at their earliest convenience, their views upon the question of permitting the railroads of this State to increase their passenger rates, together with such data and statistics relative to the question as may be available from their records.

The resolution was adopted.

Mr. Hinkley offered the following resolution:

House resolution No. 33.

Resolved, That subdivision 3 of rule 58 of the House Rules, be amended to read as follows:

"3. Report by the committee and placing on the general orders (if an appropriation bill, or one involving the expenditure of money from the general fund of the State treasury, reference to the Committee on Ways and Means, report by that committee and then placing on general orders.)"

Mr. Hinkley moved that the resolution be referred to the Committee on Rules and Joint Rules.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Empson moved that

House bill No. 30 (file No. 17), entitled

A bill to define what shall constitute partnerships; the relation of partners to persons dealing with the partnerships; the relation of partners to one another; to provide for the dissolution and winding up of partnerships and to make uniform the law relating thereto.

Be taken from the order of general orders and made a special order for consideration on Wednesday, February 24, at 2:30 o'clock p. m.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Person made written request for the printing of

House bill No. 174, entitled

A bill concerning and regulating public utilities; creating a public service commission; abolishing the Railroad Commission of Michigan and conferring the powers of the Railroad Commission on the public service commission, and prescribing penalties for the violation hereof.

The request was referred to the Committee on Printing.

GENERAL ORDERS OF THE DAY.

Mr. Griggs moved that the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole on the general orders.

The motion prevailed.

The Speaker called Mr. Griggs to the chair.

After a time spent in the consideration of bills upon the general orders, the committee rose, and, through its chairman, made a report recommending the passage, without amendment, of the following entitled bills:

House bill No. 20 (file No. 28), entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of Act No. 195 of the Public Acts of Michigan for the year 1879, being an act defining the powers and duties of prosecuting attorneys, being section 2569 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

The bill was placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

The Committee of the Whole reported
House bill No. 57 (file No. 26), entitled

A bill to amend section 4 of Act No. 65 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to provide for the payment of tuition in and transportation to another district of children who have completed the eighth grade in any school district; and to repeal Act No. 190 of the Public Acts of 1903 and all other acts and parts of acts in any wise contravening the provisions of this act."

Recommending the adoption of the following amendment thereto, and the passage of the bill when so amended:

1. Amend by striking out of line 14 of section 4, the words "until such pupils shall have completed said ten grades of work" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "for a period not exceeding two (2) school years."

The question being on the adoption of the proposed amendment made by the committee,

The amendment was adopted and the bill was placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

The Committee of the Whole reported progress on
House bill No. 136 (file No. 35), entitled

A bill to amend Act No. 184 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to regulate the business of selling farm products on commission, providing all commission merchants dealing in farm products shall be licensed, to provide against and punish fraud and deception in the sale of farm products on commission, and defining the duties of the State Dairy and Food Commissioner relative thereto," by adding thereto a new section to be known as section 11.

And

House bill No. 42 (file No. 40), entitled

A bill to provide for the payment of salaries to the sheriff, under sheriff, county clerk, county treasurer, register of deeds, prosecuting attorney and deputies of said officers of the several counties of the State of Michigan; providing for the collection of all fees and payment of the same to the county treasurer and prescribing penalties for the violation of this act.

Recommending that the bills be given further consideration.

The recommendation was concurred in, and the committee was given leave to further consider the bills.

Mr. Jerome moved that the House adjourn.

The motion prevailed, the time being 3:21 o'clock p. m.

The Speaker declared the House adjourned until tomorrow at 2:00 o'clock p. m.

CHARLES S. PIERCE,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.

TWENTY-EIGHTH DAY.

Lansing, Thursday, February 18.

2:00 o'clock p. m.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

Religious exercises were conducted by Rev. Carl B. Koch, of the German Methodist Episcopal church, of Lansing.

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk, who announced that a quorum was present.

Messrs. Flowers and Martz were absent without leave.

Mr. Sheridan Ford moved that an indefinite leave of absence be granted to Mr. Flowers.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Wieland moved that the other absentee without leave be excused from today's session.

The motion prevailed.

Messrs. Culver, Hopkins, Stevenson, Nank and Clark asked and obtained leaves of absence from tomorrow's session.

Messrs. Sheridan Ford, Matthews and McMillan asked and obtained leaves of absence until Tuesday's session.

Mr. Haviland asked and obtained an indefinite leave of absence after today's session.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

Mr. Wood presented

Petition No. 253.

Petition of D. Cunningham and 98 other citizens of Jackson, Jackson

county in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Wood presented

Petition No. 254.

Petition of Levant Bartholf and 30 other citizens of Rives Junction, Jackson county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Person presented

Petition No. 255.

Resolutions adopted by the Woman's E. M. B. Club, of Lansing, Ingham county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 14, relative to establishing a State reformatory for women.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Person presented

Petition No. 256.

Resolutions adopted by the South Lansing Woman's Club, of Lansing, Ingham county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 14, relative to establishing a State reformatory for women.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Person presented

Petition No. 257.

Resolutions adopted by the South Lansing Woman's Club, of Lansing, Ingham county, favoring the construction of a fireproof addition to, or separate building from, the present Capitol building.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on State Capitol and Public Buildings.

The Speaker presented

Petition No. 258.

Petition of J. Miller and 11 other citizens of Metamora, Lapeer county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Wood presented

Petition No. 259.

Petition of F. Schoening and 19 other citizens of Grass Lake, Jackson county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Wood presented

Petition No. 260.

Petition of A. G. Lentz and 14 other citizens of Ann Arbor, Washtenaw county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Ashley presented

Petition No. 261.

Petition of LeRoy Wood and 9 other citizens of Detroit, Wayne county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Watkins presented

Petition No. 262.

Petition of Dudley Watkins and 10 other citizens of Grand Rapids, Kent county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Koehler presented

Petition No. 263.

Petition of Glen Clark and 46 other citizens of Detroit, Wayne county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. William F. Jerome presented

Petition No. 264.

Petition of L. P. Reynolds and 127 other citizens of Hillsdale county, requesting the passage of a bill for the better protection of fish in the inland waters of the State, and prohibiting the sale thereof.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Fish and Fisheries.

The Speaker presented

Petition No. 265.

Petition of E. A. Branch and 94 other citizens of Lapeer county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 64, relative to a retirement fund for teachers.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Leland presented

Petition No. 266.

Petition of C. A. Hutchinson and 7 other citizens of Pullman, Allegan county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Martin presented

Petition No. 267.

Resolutions adopted by Owosso Improvement Association of Owosso, Shiawassee county, favoring an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Martin presented

Petition No. 268.

Petition of Chas. Swarthout and 20 other citizens of Laingsburg,

Shiawassee county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Wells presented

Petition No. 269.

Petition of Elmer Gleason and 21 other citizens of Dowagiac, Cass county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Matthews presented

Petition No. 270.

Petition of George Beyer and 27 other citizens of Niles, Berrien county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Wolcott presented

Petition No. 271.

Petition of H. H. Perkins and 21 other citizens of Albion, Calhoun county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Schmidt presented.

Petition No. 272.

Petition of O. W. Clark and 33 other citizens of Reed City, Osceola county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Hinkley presented

Petition No. 273.

Petition of W. L. McManus, Jr., and 44 other citizens of Petoskey, Emmet county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Sherman presented

Petition No. 274.

Petition of E. W. Aymer and 9 other citizens of Fair Grove, Tuscola county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Sherman presented

Petition No. 275.

Petition of C. A. Hofmeister and 35 other citizens of Unionville, Tuscola county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Sherman presented

Petition No. 276.

Petition of T. M. Stephen and 18 other citizens of Vassar, Tuscola county in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Lewis presented

Petition No. 277.

Petition of Geo. W. Merriman and 35 other citizens of Hartford, Van Buren county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Lewis presented

Petition No. 278.

Petition of E. R. Jones and 9 other citizens of VanBuren county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Lewis presented

Petition No. 279.

Petition of G. T. Pomeroy and 17 other citizens of Decatur, VanBuren county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Lewis presented

Petition No. 280.

Petition of T. P. Morton and 32 other citizens of Bloomingdale, Van Buren county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Lewis presented

Petition No. 281.

Petition of Charles H. Kelsey and 5 other citizens of Bangor, Van Buren county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Wright presented

Petition No. 282.

Protest of A. J. Warren and 75 other citizens of Saline, Washtenaw county, against the passage of House bill No. 139, entitled "A bill to co-ordinate the health service of the State."

The protest was referred to the Committee on Public Health.

Mr. Wright presented

Petition No. 283.

Petition of Fred C. Wheeler and 14 other citizens of Salem, Wash-

tenaw county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Wright presented

Petition No. 284.

Petition of Geo. Holmes and 5 other citizens of Ypsilanti, Washtenaw county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Wright presented

Petition No. 285.

Petition of W. S. Thunder and 9 other citizens of Ceresco, Calhoun county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Warner presented

Petition No. 286.

Petition of J. M. Lane and 35 other residents of Orleans, Ionia county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Warner presented

Petition No. 287.

Petition of Chas. A. Ireland and 36 other citizens of Ionia, Ionia county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Warner presented

Petition No. 288.

Petition of F. A. Washurn and 28 other citizens of Belding, Ionia county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Miller presented

Petition No. 289.

Petition of W. E. Lane and 5 other citizens of Vestaburg, Montcalm county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Miller presented

Petition No. 290.

Petition of Albert Larsen and 15 other citizens of Sidney, Montcalm county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Pray presented

Petition No. 291.

Petition of C. A. Murray and 72 other citizens of Charlotte, Eaton county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Sutton presented

Petition No. 292.

Petition of A. Page and 60 other citizens of Chelsea, Washtenaw county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Sutton presented

Petition No. 293.

Petition of J. Jacobs and 11 other citizens of Ann Arbor, Washtenaw county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Gayde presented

Petition No. 294.

Petition of J. C. Wilson and 70 other citizens of Wayne, Wayne county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Wieland presented

Petition No. 295.

Petition of D. B. Lyons and 32 other citizens of South Lyon, Oakland county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the Railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Clarence J. Reed presented

Petition No. 296.

Petition of Jay King and 12 other citizens of Parma, Jackson county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Clarence J. Reed presented

Petition No. 297.

Petition of C. W. Snyder and 20 other citizens of Grass Lake, Jackson county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Henry presented

Petition No. 298.

Petition of C. L. Wiathewax and 30 other citizens of Marshall, Cal-

houn county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Henry presented

Petition No. 299.

Petition of C. L. Bennett and 23 other citizens of Calhoun county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Henry presented

Petition No. 300.

Petition of F. Rickermorn, and 4 other citizens of Battle Creek, Calhoun county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Chapin presented

Petition No. 301.

Petition of Frank W. Clugg and 36 other citizens of Mancelona, Antrim county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Weissert presented

Petition No. 302.

Petition of I. E. Moore and 25 other citizens of Freeport, Barry county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Thomas Read presented

Petition No. 303.

Petition of J. B. Conger and 18 other citizens of New Era, Oceana county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Weissert presented

Petition No. 304.

Petition of Edmonds Bros. and 75 other firms and citizens of Hastings, Barry county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Samuel J. Smith presented

Petition No. 305.

Petition of S. E. Wiggins and 21 other citizens of Wolverine, Cheboygan county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Hoffman presented

Petition No. 306.

Petition of G. A. Williams and 25 other citizens of Tyre, Sanilac county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Stevenson presented

Petition No. 307.

Petition of Alexander E. Currie and 2 other citizens of North Detroit, Wayne county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Stevenson presented

Petition No. 308.

Petition of Earl Menott and 29 other citizens of Detroit, Wayne county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Foote presented

Petition No. 309.

Petition of Chas. E. Jakeway and 37 other citizens of Lowell, Kent county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Daigneau presented

Petition No. 310.

Protest of W. B. Rogers and 101 other citizens of Watervliet, Berrien county, against the passage of House bill No. 139, entitled "A bill to co-ordinate the health service of the State."

The protest was referred to the Committee on Public Health.

Mr. Biggerstaff presented

Petition No. 311.

Resolutions adopted by the Kalamazoo Real Estate Exchange, in favor of the present mortgage tax law.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on General Taxation.

Mr. Biggerstaff presented

Petition No. 312.

Resolutions adopted by the St. Joseph County Federation of Women's Clubs, favoring the construction of a fireproof addition to, or separate building from the present Capitol building.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on State Capitol and Public Buildings.

Mr. Pray presented

Petition No. 313.

Petition of A. R. Gillies and 16 other citizens of Grand Ledge, Eaton

county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Ross presented

Petition No. 314.

Petition of John C. Ellsworth and 18 other citizens of Fowlerville, Livingston county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Ross presented

Petition of 315.

Petition of Max Dreyfuss and 11 other citizens of Howell, Livingston county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Ross presented

Petition No. 316.

Petition of J. E. Morgan and 28 other citizens of Brighton, Livingston county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Van Antwerp presented

Petition No. 317.

Petition of R. E. Brisbier and 48 other citizens of Sand Lake, Kent county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Van Antwerp presented

Petition No. 318.

Petition of J. S. Bowen and 26 other citizens of Kent City, Kent county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Van Antwerp presented

Petition No. 319.

Petition of Leon C. Norris and 10 other citizens of Casnovia, Muskegon county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Amon presented

Petition No. 320.

Petition of Geo. Bilbrough and 23 other citizens of Remus, Mecosta county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Kooyers presented
Petition No. 321.

Petition of Austin Harrington and 31 other citizens of Holland, Ottawa county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY CLERK OF PRINTING OF BILLS.

The Clerk announced that the following named bills had been printed and placed upon the files of the members Wednesday, February 17:

House bill No. 143 (file No. 44), entitled

A bill to provide a method of voting at any general or primary election by electors in the actual military service of the United States or of this State, or in the army or navy thereof, in time of war, insurrection or rebellion; by members of the Legislature while in attendance at any session of the Legislature; by students while in attendance at any institution of learning, and by commercial travelers absent from their place of residence upon the day of any general or primary election.

House bill No. 103 (file No. 45), entitled

A bill to require all incorporated stock or mutual companies doing a life insurance business within the State of Michigan to invest a part of the reserve set apart on account and for the final payment of policies of insurance written on the lives of the citizens of Michigan, in Michigan and other securities and Michigan property or in the bonds of the United States or any State of the United States, and to define Michigan securities and the property in which such investments may be made.

Senate bill No. 59 (file No. 93), entitled

A bill to amend section 30 of Act 156 of the Session Laws of 1851, entitled "An act to define the powers and duties of the boards of supervisors of the several counties, and to confer upon them certain local administrative and legislative powers," as last amended by Act No. 237 of the Public Acts of 1905.

Senate substitute for Senate bill No. 88 (file No. 94), entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of Act No. 266 of the Public Acts of 1895, entitled "An act relative to bonds and other obligations, with surety or sureties, and the acceptance as surety thereon of companies qualified to act as such, and the release of such surety, and the safe depositing of assets for which such surety may be liable, and to the charging by fiduciaries of the expense of procuring sureties, and repealing all laws in conflict therewith," being section 5196 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by Act No. 321 of the Public Acts of 1907.

Senate bill No. 139 (file No. 95), entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of an act, entitled "An act to incorporate the Detroit Library Commission and to provide means for acquiring lands and the construction of public library building or buildings thereon and the maintenance of the same," approved March 29, 1901, as amended by Act No. 390 of the Local Acts of 1903, and as further amended by Act No. 460 of the Local Acts of 1905, approved April 6, 1905.

The Clerk announced that the following named bills had been printed and placed upon the files of the members Thursday, February 18:

Senate bill No. 142 (file No. 96), entitled

A bill to create a Michigan commission for the blind, to provide for the making of a statewide survey and registration of the blind and near-blind inhabitants of this State and their needs and the announcement to them of the available public provision already made for their requirements, and to prepare and submit a report thereon, to prescribe the powers and duties of said commission and its authorized officers, agents and employes and of certain boards and officials in relation thereto, and to make an appropriation to meet the cost of such investigation, service and publicity.

Senate bill No. 143 (file No. 97), entitled

A bill to amend section 14 of chapter 3 of Act No. 164 of the Public Acts of 1881, entitled "An act to revise and consolidate the laws relating to public instruction and primary schools and to repeal all statutes and acts contravening the provisions of this act," being section 4679 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on State Affairs, by Mr. James D. Jerome, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 132, entitled

A bill to make an appropriation for the Mackinac Island State Park and for the Michilimackinac State Park for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The Committee on State Affairs, by Mr. Jas. D. Jerome, Chairman, reported

Senate bill No. 25 (file No. 23), entitled

A bill to provide a tax to meet the amounts disbursed by the State for the several State hospitals, the Michigan Home and Training School and the Eloise Hospital, for the support of patients under the several laws relating thereto.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The Committee on Michigan Soldiers' Home, by Mr. Place, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 198 (file No. 48), entitled

A bill to amend section 11 of Act 152 of the Public Acts of 1885, entitled "An act to authorize the establishment of a home for disabled soldiers, sailors and marines in the State of Michigan," as last amended by Act 2 of the Public Acts of 1907, Extra Session, and to add thereto two new sections to be known as sections 11 "a" and 11 "b."

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Elections, by Mr. Palmer, Chairman, reported
House bill No. 153 (file No. 49), entitled

A bill to amend section 14 of Act No. 190 of the Public Acts of 1891, entitled "An act to prescribe the manner of conducting and to prevent fraud and deception at elections in this State," being section 3625 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as last amended by Act No. 214 of the Public Acts of 1901.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Industrial Home for Boys, by Mr. William F. Jerome, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 27, entitled

A bill making appropriation for the Industrial School for Boys for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

With the following amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in and that when so amended the bill pass:

1. Amend by striking out of line 4 of section 1 the words "one hundred and fifteen thousand" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "one hundred and twelve thousand four hundred."

2. Amend by striking out of line 6 of section 1 the words "one hundred and fifteen thousand" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "one hundred and twelve thousand four hundred."

3. Amend by striking out of line 1 of section 2 the word "seven" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "five."

4. Amend by striking out of line 7 of section 2 the words "for lighting rods, one thousand dollars."

5. Amend by striking out of line 8 of section 2 the word "five" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "four."

6. Amend by striking out of line 3 of section 4 the words "one hundred twenty-two thousand two hundred" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "one hundred and seventeen thousand six hundred."

7. Amend by striking out of lines 4 and 5 of section 4 the words "one hundred fifteen thousand" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "one hundred and twelve thousand four hundred."

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the amendments to the bill recommended by the committee,

The amendments were adopted.

The bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The Committee on Rules and Joint Rules, by Mr. Warner, Chairman, reported

House resolution No. 33.

Resolved, That subdivision 3 of rule 58 of the House Rules, be amended to read as follows:

"3. Report by the committee and placing on the gneral orders (if an appropriation bill, or one involving the expenditure of money from the general fund of the State treasury, reference the Committee on Ways and Means, report by that committee and then placing on general orders.)"

With the recommendation that the resolution be adopted.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The Speaker announced that under Rule 71 the resolution would lie over five days.

Mr. Hinkley moved that Rule 71 be suspended.

The motion prevailed, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

The resolution was adopted.

The Committee on Michigan Home and Training School, by Mr. Edwards, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 49, entitled

A bill making appropriation for special purposes for the Michigan Home and Training School at Lapeer for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

With the following amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in and that when so amended the bill pass:

1. Amend by striking out of line 3 of section 1 the words "one hundred twelve thousand two" and striking out of line 4 of section 1 the words "hundred twenty-eight dollars and seventy-five cents," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "one hundred five thousand seven hundred forty-eight dollars and seventy-five cents."

2. Amend by striking out of line 14 of section 1 the words "twenty-six thousand four hundred eight dollars" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "twenty thousand dollars."

3. Amend by striking out of line 7 of section 2 the words "forty-two thousand three" and by striking out of line 8 of section 2 the words "hundred fifty-nine dollars and twenty-five cents."

4. Amend by striking out of line 1 of section 2 the words "sixty-eight thousand one hundred" and striking out of line 2 of section 2 the words "fifty-four dollars and eighty-seven cents," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "twenty-five thousand seven hundred ninety-five dollars and sixty-two cents."

5. Amend by striking out of line 24 of section 2 the word "one" and striking out of line 25 of section 2 the words "hundred eighty thousand three hundred eighty-three dollars and sixty-two" and striking out of line 26 of section 2 the word "cents," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "one hundred thirty-one thousand five hundred forty-four dollars and thirty-seven cents."

6. Amend by striking out of line 2 of section 4 the words "one hundred" and striking out of line 3 of section 4 the words "twelve thousand two hundred twenty-eight dollars and seventy-five cents," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "one hundred five thousand seven hundred forty-eight dollars and seventy-five cents."

7. Amend by striking out of line 4 of section 4 the words "sixty-eight" and striking out of line 5 of section 4 the words "thousand one hundred fifty-four dollars and eighty-seven cents," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "twenty-five thousand seven hundred ninety-five dollars and sixty-two cents."

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the amendments to the bill recommended by the committee,

The amendments were adopted.

The bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The Committee on College of Mines, by Mr. Stevens, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 177, entitled

A bill making appropriations for current expenses and for special purposes for the Michigan College of Mines at Houghton, for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

With a substitute therefor having the same title.

Recommending that the substitute be concurred in and that the bill as substituted pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the proposed substitute recommended by the committee,

The substitute was adopted.

The bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The Committee on Public Health, by Mr. Newel Smith, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 19, entitled

A bill to provide for the examination, regulation, licensing and registration of chiropractors; for the appointment of a State Board of Registration in Chiropractic; for the punishment of offenders against this act, and the repeal of all acts and parts of acts in conflict herewith.

With the following amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in and that when so amended the bill pass:

1. Amend by striking out all after the word "chiropractic" in line 5 of section 1 to and including the word "appointment" in line 10 of said section and inserting in lieu thereof the following: "Each person so appointed as a member of the Board of Registration in Chiropractic shall file with the Governor a certificate of the Michigan State Chiropractic Association of the State of Michigan, under the seal of its president and secretary, setting forth that the person named in the certificate is a graduate of a reputable college or school of chiropractic and that he has been engaged in the practice of chiropractic in the State of Michigan for two years or more, that he is a person of good moral character and of good standing in his profession."

2. Amend by striking out all after the word "anatomy" in line 5, clause 4 of section 3, to and including the word "examination" in line 8 of said clause and section, and inserting in lieu thereof the following: "embryology, symptomatology, histology, bacteriology, pathology, chemistry, hygiene, nerve tracing, chiropractic orthopathy, principles of chiropractic adjustment and public health. This examination shall be equiva-

lent to the examinations provided for practitioners of medicine under section 3, subdivision 1, of Act No. 305 of the Public Acts of 1913, in the subjects specified, and it."

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the amendments to the bill recommended by the committee,

The amendments were adopted.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Public Health, by Mr. Newel Smith, chairman, reported

House bill No. 140, entitled

A bill to provide free hospital service and medical and surgical treatment for persons afflicted with a malady or deformity which can be benefited by hospital treatment, who are unable to pay for such care and treatment, and for pregnant women unable to pay for such care and treatment and for the children of such pregnant women born during the period of hospital care, and providing for the expense thereof, and prescribing the jurisdiction of the probate court in said cases, and to repeal Act No. 274 of the Public Acts of 1913.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Fish and Fisheries, by Mr. McMillan, chairman, reported

House bill No. 185, entitled

A bill to repeal Act No. 125 of the Public Acts of 1899, entitled "An act to prohibit the taking or catching of fish by any means or device other than by hook and line in Crooked lake, Pickerel lake, Pickerel channel or Crooked river in Emmet county," upon approval by the electors of said county of Emmet."

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM STATE OFFICERS.

The following communication from the Attorney General was received and read:

Attorney General's Department,
Lansing, February 16th, 1915.

Hon. Charles S. Pierce, Clerk of the House of Representatives.

Dear Sir: I beg to acknowledge receipt of your communication calling my attention to House resolution No. 27. Said resolution requests my opinion with reference to the following question: "Has the Legislature of the State of Michigan the right under the Constitution to delegate to the Railway Commission of the State the authority to regulate rates for carrying passengers on railway lines within the State?" The

proposition is established beyond question that the law-making body of a State is invested with the power to prescribe definite and fixed rates for common carriers for the transportation of both passengers and freight within the limits of the State. The weight of authority seems to be also in favor of the power of the Legislature to delegate to an administrative commission the authority to fix the specific charges for such transportation, unless such delegation is prohibited by the State Constitution either expressly or by necessary implication. The opinion of the Supreme Court of this State, in the case of Michigan Central Railroad Company vs. Michigan Railroad Commission, 160 Mich. 355, is based apparently upon the theory that the actual naming of specific rates that may be charged by common carriers pursuant to a legislative enactment is, in the final analysis, an administrative and ministerial duty. A large number of authorities are cited by the Court sustaining the right of the Legislature, when not restrained by the State Constitution, to delegate to a State Railroad Commission or to a similar administrative body the authority in question. I do not think that the Constitution of 1850 contained any provision that must necessarily have been construed as prohibiting the Legislature of this State from giving to the Railroad Commission the authority contemplated by your inquiry. Section 1 of Article XIX (a) of that instrument read as follows: "The Legislature may, from time to time, pass laws establishing reasonable maximum rates of charges for the transportation of passengers and freight on different railroads in this State, and shall prohibit running contracts between such railroad companies whereby discrimination is made in favor of either of such companies as against other companies owning connecting or intersecting lines of railroad." This section was incorporated in section 7 of Article XII of the present State Constitution and certain provisions added thereto that must, I believe, be regarded as a denial of the right to delegate to the Railroad Commission the authority to fix passenger rates. A comparison of that section with the corresponding section of the Constitution of 1850, above quoted, indicates clearly the changes in substance made therein. It is as follows:

"The Legislature may, from time to time, pass laws establishing reasonable maximum rates of charges for the transportation of passengers and freight on different railroads in this State, and may pass laws establishing reasonable maximum rates of charges for the transportation of property by express companies in this State, and may delegate such power to fix reasonable maximum rates of charges for the transportation of freight by railroad companies and for the transportation of property by express companies to a commission created by law; and shall prohibit running contracts between such railroad companies whereby discrimination is made in favor of either of such companies as against other companies owning connecting or intersecting lines of railroad."

Standing alone the language of this section of the present Constitution, when construed in accordance with the ordinary rules, obviously contemplates that the Legislature may delegate the power to fix rates only in the cases expressly stated, that is, "for the transportation of freight by railroad companies and for the transportation of property

by express companies." The designation of these particular instances in which the power may be vested in a commission created by law can be taken in no other way than as excluding the right to so delegate in any other instance.

In case there is any doubt as to the proper interpretation to be given to any constitutional provision it is permissible to refer to the proceedings of the body that drafted the Constitution and if possible to ascertain the actual intention therefrom. An examination of the Debates of the Constitutional Convention that drafted the present State Constitution indicates conclusively that it was the understanding of the members of that body that the right to fix rates might be delegated to the commission under the constitutional provision involved only as expressly allowed, and that the power to fix rates to be charged by railroads for the transportation of passengers was left with the Legislature to be exercised thereby.

It appears that on three occasions it was sought by some members of the Convention to so amend the section as to permit the Legislature to confer upon the Railroad Commission full power to fix passenger rates as well as freight rates. Each time, however, the amendment was lost. Remarks made by different members upon the proposition indicate that the prevailing idea of the majority was that the Legislature might fix passenger rates itself, while the fixing of freight rates was a proper subject to be handled by the Railroad Commission. The Debates also show that many members considered it a doubtful proposition as to whether the Legislature might delegate the power to fix rates, either passenger or freight, unless expressly so authorized by the Constitution. However, this may have been, we are now confronted by the fact that the Constitutional Convention unquestionably intended to withhold from the Legislature the right to delegate its power to fix passenger rates, and also by the further fact that section 7 of Article XII in the form finally agreed upon by the Convention is susceptible of no other construction, when interpreted in accordance with established rules, than as an inhibition upon the power of the Legislature to so delegate. The section of the Constitution being, as I view it, entirely free from any uncertainty or confusion, recourse to the proceedings of the Constitutional Convention is perhaps uncalled for. The views of the men who actually drafted that section are, however, of very great interest. I would especially call your attention to remarks of members of the Convention appearing on pages 1195-1204 inclusive; 1346-1349 inclusive; and 1390-1391 of the Constitutional Proceedings and Debates.

This view as to the construction to be given section 7 of Article XII makes it unnecessary to consider the question as to whether or not other provisions of the Constitution may possibly be deemed to deny the right of the Legislature to delegate to the Railroad Commission its power to fix passenger rates. Neither, as suggested at the outset, is it necessary or desirable to consider the legal aspects of the matter apart from section 7 of Article XII. I do not think that said section can be interpreted in any way other than as forbidding by necessary implication the delegation of such power. It is certain that this construction is the only one consistent with the expressed views of the members of the Constitutional Convention and the only one allowable if the intent of that body is to be given effect. I am forced to the conclusion therefore that the

inquiry as stated in the resolution must be answered in the negative. I do not desire, however, by this opinion to in any way question the power of the Legislature by appropriate action, to cause full and complete investigation of this subject by the Railroad Commission, requiring it to examine the expert figures submitted by the railroads, compare them with such figures as would be obtainable through experts and other independent investigation and report at a future session of the Legislature.

Respectfully yours,

GRANT FELLOWS,
Attorney General.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting
Senate bill No. 20 (file No. 20), entitled

A bill to amend sections 1 and 2 of Act No. 91 of the Session Laws of 1839, entitled "An act to provide for the recording of town plats, and for vacating the same in certain cases," being compiler's sections 3372 and 3373 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as last amended by Act No. 297 of the Public Acts of 1913.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. William F. Jerome introduced
House bill No. 205, entitled

A bill to provide for the assessment and the collection of a specific annual tax upon the class of credits founded upon and evidenced by mortgages and liens upon real property, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in contravention thereto.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on General Taxation.

Mr. Stevens introduced
House bill No. 206, entitled

A bill to amend section 3 of Act No. 381 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to regulate the sale, consignment, shipment, transportation and delivery to and the purchase, acceptance, receipt and possession by any person, firm or corporation of any vinous, malt, brewed, fermented, spirituous or intoxicating liquor when such person, firm or corporation resides in territory where the manufacture and sale of such liquors for beverage purposes is prohibited; to prohibit the same in certain cases; to prescribe means for the enforcement of the provisions of this act; and to repeal all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Hoffman introduced
House bill No. 207, entitled

A bill to regulate the sale, disposition, distribution and possession of certain habit-forming drugs.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Public Health.

Mr. James D. Jerome introduced
House bill No. 208, entitled

A bill to provide for certain requirements in deeds and instruments, affecting real estate in which there are male grantors to entitle same to record.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Culver introduced
House bill No. 209, entitled

A bill to provide a method whereby all political parties shall select delegates to all of their State conventions, to regulate proceedings for the same, to provide adequate punishment for the violation of the provisions of this act and to repeal any or all acts or parts of acts in any way contravening or interfering with the provisions of this act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Elections.

Mr. Culver introduced
House bill No. 210, entitled

A bill to provide for a board of education for cities having a population of two hundred fifty thousand or over, and comprising a single school district; to fix their terms of office, and the manner of the nomination and election of the members thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Elections.

Mr. Culver introduced
House bill No. 211, entitled

A bill to amend section 17 of chapter 2 of Act 164 of the Public Acts of 1881, entitled "An act to revise and consolidate the laws relating to public instruction and primary schools, and to repeal all acts or parts of acts contravening the provisions of this act," being compiler's section 4662 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by Act No. 83 of the Public Acts of 1909, and as last amended by Act 146 of the Public Acts of 1913.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Elections.

Mr. Newel Smith introduced
House bill No. 212, entitled

A bill fixing the salaries of circuit judges.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Daigneau introduced

House bill No. 213, entitled

A bill to authorize the formation of corporations for the purpose of controlling and utilizing flood waters under the direction of the Railroad Commission.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Wiley introduced

House bill No. 214, entitled

A bill to regulate judicial procedure in civil and criminal cases.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Wiley introduced

House bill No. 215, entitled

A bill to regulate judicial procedure in criminal cases.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Jones introduced

House bill No. 216, entitled

A bill to provide for the inspection of certain steam boilers by the Commissioner of Labor, fixing the powers and duties of the Commissioner of Labor with respect thereto, prohibiting the use and operation of such boilers as are found to be dangerous or unsafe for use, and to provide a penalty for the violation of this act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Labor.

Mr. William F. Jerome introduced

House bill No. 217, entitled

A bill to co-ordinate the health service of the State; to provide for the creation of health inspection districts; the appointment of district health commissioners; to prescribe their powers, duties and compensation; and to prescribe punishment for violations of the provisions of this act, and authorizing the appropriation of necessary funds to carry out the provisions of this act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Public Health.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 57 (file No. 26), entitled

A bill to amend section 4 of Act No. 65 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to provide for the payment of tuition in and transportation to another district of children who have completed the eighth grade in any school district; and to repeal Act No. 190 of the Public Acts of 1903, and all other acts and parts of acts in any wise contravening the provisions of this act."

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Griggs	Mr. Oakley	Mr. Snow
Anderson	Haviland	O'Brien	Sours
Averill	Henry	Olmsted	Stevens
Biggerstaff	Hoffman	Ormsbee	Stevenson
Bosch	Hopkins	Palmer	Sutton
Chapin	Hulse	Penney	Symonds
Clark	Jerome, J. D.	Person	Tufts
Cowan	Jerome, W. F.	Petermann	Van Antwerp
Croll	Jones	Place	Vine
Culver	Keen	Pray	Ward
Daprato	Kemmerling	Quintel	Warner
Edwards	Koehler	Read, Thos.	Watkins
Empson	Kooyers	Reed, C. J.	Weissert
Evens	Lamphere	Robertson	Wells
Ewing	Leland	Rogers	Whiteley
Follett	Lewis	Ross	Wieland
Foote	McMillan	Schmidt	Wiley
Ford, R. L.	Martin	Sherman	Wolcott
Ford, Sheridan	Matthews	Shields	Wood
Francis	Miller	Sly	Woodruff
Gayde	Moore	Smith, Newel	Wright
Gettel	Nank	Smith, S. J.	Speaker
Green	Nelson		

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The question being on agreeing to the title of the bill,

Mr. Foote moved to amend the title so as to read as follows:

A bill to amend section 4 of Act No. 65 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to provide for the payment of tuition in and transportation to another district, of children who have completed the eighth grade in any school district; and to repeal Act No. 190 of the Public Acts of 1903, and all other acts and parts of acts in anywise contravening the provisions of this act," as amended by Act No. 14 of the Public Acts of 1911.

The motion prevailed.

The House agreed to the title of the bill as amended.

House bill No. 20 (file No. 28), entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of Act No. 195 of the Public Acts of Michigan for the year 1879, being an act defining the powers and duties of prosecuting attorneys, being section 2569 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Green	Mr. Oakley	Mr. Smith, Newel
Anderson	Griggs	O'Brien	Snow
Averill	Haviland	Olmsted	Sours
Biggerstaff	Henry	Ormsbee	Stevens
Bosch	Hinkley	Palmer	Stevenson
Chapin	Hoffman	Penney	Sutton
Clark	Hopkins	Person	Symonds
Cowan	Hulse	Petermann	Tufts
Croll	Jerome, J. D.	Place	Van Antwerp
Culver	Jerome, W. F.	Pray	Vine

Mr. Daigneau	Mr. Jones	Mr. Quintel	Mr. Ward
Daprato	Keen	Read, Thos.	Warner
Edwards	Kemmerling	Reed, C. J.	Watkins
Empson	Koehler	Rice	Weissert
Evans	Kooyers	Robertson	Wells
Ewing	Leland	Rogers	Whiteley
Follett	Lewis	Root	Wieland
Foote	McMillan	Ross	Wiley
Ford, R. L.	Martin	Schmidt	Wolcott
Ford, Sheridan	Miller	Sherman	Wood
Francis	Moore	Shields	Woodruff
Gayde	Nank	Sly	Wright
Gettel	Nelson	Smith, F. A.	Speaker

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Hopkins moved that when the House adjourns today it stand adjourned until tomorrow at 9:00 o'clock a. m.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Kemmerling moved that when the House adjourns tomorrow it stand adjourned until Monday, February 22, at 8:30 o'clock p. m.

Mr. Sheridan Ford moved that

House bill No. 108 (file No. 27), entitled

A bill to create a commission to investigate the causes and effects of commercialized prostitution and to recommend to the Legislature and to the public ways and means of combatting this vice and its attendant evils, to the end that the health and morals of the people of the State shall be conserved and protected.

Be taken from the order of general orders and made a special order for consideration on Wednesday, February 24, at 3:30 o'clock p. m.

The motion did not prevail.

Mr. Palmer made written request for the printing of House bill No. 116, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1, 21, 23 and 32 of Act No. 190 of the Public Acts of 1891, approved July 3, 1891, entitled "An act to prescribe the manner of conducting and to prevent fraud and deceptions at elections in this State." such amended sections being sections 3612, 3631, 3633 and 3642 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by Act No. 214, Public Acts of 1901; Act No. 189, Public Acts of 1907; Act No. 192, Public Acts of 1909; Acts Nos. 60 and 158, Public Acts of 1911; Act No. 8, Public Acts of 1912; and Acts No. 54, No. 218 and No. 375, Public Acts of 1913; and to add three new sections to stand as section 49, section 50 and section 51 of said act.

The request was referred to the Committee on Printing.

Mr. Palmer made written request for the printing of House bill No. 189, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1, 3, 16, 20, 25, 28 and 38 and to repeal sections 18, 21, 42 and all other sections and parts of sections conflicting with the provisions of this act, of Act No. 281 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act relative to the nomination of party candidates for public office and delegates to political conventions; to regulate primary elections and to prescribe penalties for violations of its provisions; and to provide for the printing upon election ballots of the names of candidates nominated under the terms of this act; and to repeal Act No. 4 of the Public Acts of the Extra Session of the year 1907, and all local primary election laws contravening the provisions of this act, except as in this act otherwise provided," approved June 2, 1909, as amended by Act No. 279 of the Public Acts of 1911, and as further amended by Act No. 118 of the Public Acts of 1913.

The request was referred to the Committee on Printing.

Mr. William F. Jerome made written request for the printing of House bill No. 205, entitled

A bill to provide for the assessment and the collection of a specific annual tax upon the class of credits founded upon and evidenced by mortgages and liens upon personal property, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in contravention thereto.

The request was referred to the Committee on Printing.

Mr. Person made written request for the printing of House bill No. 201, entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the Michigan Agricultural College for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1916, to meet the deficiency in the current expense or aid fund for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1914, and to provide a tax to meet the same

The request was referred to the Committee on Printing.

Mr. Symonds offered the following resolution:
House concurrent resolution No. 34.

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That the Michigan Railroad Commission be and is hereby authorized and directed to investigate the question of the adequacy of the present intrastate passenger rates on the railroads operating within the State of Michigan, and to report its data, findings and conclusions to the Governor of this State, together with its recommendation as to what would be an adequate rate within said State for the transportation of passengers upon the different railroads, said investigation to commence at once and to conclude as soon as practicable; and be it further

Resolved, That the said Michigan Railroad Commission be and is hereby authorized to employ such additional assistance for said purpose as may be necessary for the proper and adequate carrying out of the purpose of this resolution, and the compensation therefor as fixed by said commission, together with all expenses necessary and incident to said investigation, be paid out of the general fund of the State upon vouchers properly authenticated by the chairman of said commission.

The Speaker announced that under Rule 50 the resolution would lie over one day.

Mr. Petermann moved that Rule 50 be suspended.

The motion prevailed, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

After debate,

Mr. Symonds moved that the resolution be referred to the Committee on Railroads.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Root asked and obtained a leave of absence for the balance of today's session after 3:30 o'clock.

GENERAL ORDERS OF THE DAY.

Mr. Schmidt moved that the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole on the general orders.

The motion prevailed.

The Speaker called Mr. Schmidt to the chair.

After a time spent in the consideration of bills upon the general orders, the committee rose, and, through its chairman, reported

House bill No. 136 (file No. 35), entitled

A bill to amend Act No. 184 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to regulate the business of selling farm products on commission, providing all commission merchants dealing in farm products shall be licensed, to provide against and punish fraud and deception in the sale of farm products on commission, and defining the duties of the State Dairy and Food Commissioner relative thereto," by adding thereto a new section to be known as section 11.

Recommending the adoption of the following amendment thereto, and the passage of the bill when so amended:

1. Amend by striking out of line 10 of section 11 the words "that fact" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "the fact that he is a commission merchant of farm products as defined by this act."

The question being on the adoption of the proposed amendment made by the committee,

The amendment was adopted and the bill was placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

The Committee of the Whole reported

House bill No. 42 (file No. 40), entitled

A bill to provide for the payment of salaries to the sheriff, under sheriff, county clerk, county treasurer, register of deeds, prosecuting attorney and deputies of said officers of the several counties of the State of Michigan; providing for the collection of all fees and payment of the

same to the county treasurer and prescribing penalties for the violation of this act.

Recommending that the Committee of the Whole be discharged from further consideration of the bill, and that the bill be re-referred to the Committee on Towns and Counties.

The question being on concurring in the recommendation made by the Committee,

The recommendation was concurred in and the bill re-referred to the Committee on Towns and Counties.

Mr. William F. Jerome moved that the House adjourn.

The motion prevailed, the time being 3:44 o'clock p. m.

The Speaker declared the House adjourned until tomorrow at 9:00 o'clock a. m.

CHARLES S. PIERCE,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.

TWENTY-NINTH DAY.

Lansing, Friday, February 19.

9 o'clock a. m.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

Religious exercises were conducted by Rev. F. W. Stephenson of the Main St. Methodist Protestant Church, of Lansing.

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk, who announced that a quorum was present.

Messrs. Clark, Culver, Flowers, Sheridan Ford, Haviland, Hopkins, McMillan, Matthews, Nank and Stevenson were absent with leave.

Messrs. Ashley, Cowan, Foote, Gayde, James D. Jerome, Koehler, Lamphere, Martz, Petermann, Rice and Woodruff were absent without leave.

Mr. Henry moved that all absentees without leave be excused from today's session.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Nelson moved that an indefinite leave of absence be granted to Mr. Petermann.

The motion prevailed.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

Mr. Bosch presented

Petition No. 322.

Petition of Wm. Ouatermas and 4 other citizens of Conklin, Ottawa county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Bosch presented

Petition No. 323.

Petition of Frank M. Vis and 16 other citizens of Jenison, Ottawa

county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Bosch presented

Petition No. 324.

Petition of H. J. Dornbes & Brother and 39 other citizens of Grand Haven, Ottawa county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Wood presented

Petition No. 325.

Petition of Mrs. F. W. Fox and 53 other citizens of Jackson, Jackson county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Daigneau presented

Petition No. 326.

Resolutions adopted by the Clover Leaf Club, Coloma, Berrien county, favoring the construction of a fireproof addition to or separate building from the present Capitol building.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Nelson presented

Petition No. 327.

Resolutions adopted by the Board of Supervisors of Gratiot county, protesting against the passage of a bill discriminating in passenger rates between the Upper and Lower Peninsula.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Oakley presented

Petition No. 328.

Petition of Jennie Lindsay and 10 other teachers of Bay City, Bay county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 64, relative to a retirement fund for teachers.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Leland presented

Petition No. 329.

Petition of E. Lamoreaux and 3 other citizens of New Richmond, Allegan county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Hinkley presented

Petition No. 330.

Petition of Alice C. Erwin and 12 other members of the University Club, of Harbor Springs, Emmet county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 14, relative to establishing a State reformatory for women.

The petition was referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Person presented

Petition No. 331.

Petition of Chas. Blackmore and 9 other citizens of Leslie, Ingham county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Vine presented

Petition No. 332.

Petition of A. E. Miller and 13 other citizens of Weston, Lenawee county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Vine presented

Petition No. 333.

Petition of H. W. Cruse and 15 other citizens of Hudson, Lenawee county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Moore presented

Petition No. 334.

Protest of G. J. Wittenberg and 26 other citizens of Cement City, Lenawee county, against the passage of House bill No. 3, relative to the changing and establishing of boundaries of cities, villages and townships.

The protest was referred to the Committee on Towns and Counties.

Mr. Sours presented

Petition No. 335.

Petition of Frank T. Kinney and 5 other citizens of Walton, Grand Traverse county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Kemmerling presented

Petition No. 336.

Petition of J. R. Martin and 10 other citizens of Ida, Monroe county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Kemmerling presented

Petition No. 337.

Petition of W. G. Fielder and 5 other citizens of Steiner, Monroe county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Keen presented

Petition No. 338.

Petition of Andrew W. Orr and 12 other citizens of Blanchard, Isa-

bella county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Oakley presented

Petition No. 339.

Petition of J. F. List and 56 other citizens of Bay City, Bay county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Samuel J. Smith presented

Petition No. 340.

Petition of E. Sargent and 19 other citizens of Cheboygan, Cheboygan county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Lewis presented

Petition No. 341.

Petition of W. E. Westcott and 1 other citizen of McDonald, Van Buren county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Gettel presented

Petition No. 342.

Petition of Bela W. Jenks and 37 other citizens of Harbor Beach, Huron county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Gettel presented

Petition No. 343.

Petition of W. O. Mortimer and 19 other citizens of Kinde, Huron county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Gettel presented

Petition No. 344.

Petition of J. E. Wallace and 28 other citizens of Port Austin, Huron county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Gettel presented

Petition No. 345.

Petition of Walter Schroder and 13 other citizens of Uby, Huron county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Gettel presented

Petition No. 346.

Petition of H. T. Trumble and 35 other citizens of Elkton, Huron county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Gettel presented

Petition No. 347.

Petition of B. Cogswell and 2 other citizens of Pigeon, Huron county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Wieland presented

Petition No. 348.

Petition of W. H. Smith and 9 other citizens of Holly, Oakland county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Hoffman presented

Petition No. 349.

Petition of L. H. Biedel & Son and 11 other citizens of Minden City, Sanilac county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Kooyers presented

Petition No. 350.

Petition of C. Buertse and 11 other citizens of Ottawa county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Moore presented

Petition No. 351.

Petition of H. H. Otwell and 10 other citizens of Lenawee county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Place presented

Petition No. 352.

Petition of C. D. Faw and 31 other citizens of Sturgis, St. Joseph county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Martin presented

Petition No. 353.

Petition of N. Goodin and 784 other citizens of Shiawassee county, in

favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Ransom L. Ford presented

Petition No. 354.

Petition of Viet & Davison Lumber Co., and 389 other citizens of Flint, Genesee county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Snow presented

Petition No. 355.

Petition of John E. Thompson and 245 other citizens of Kalamazoo county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

The Speaker presented

Petition No. 356.

Petition of B. S. Harrington and 518 other citizens of Lapeer county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

The Speaker presented

Petition No. 357.

Petition of W. E. Beckitt and 12 other citizens of St. Clair county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Wells presented

Petition No. 358.

Petition of Willard McDonald and 156 other citizens of Cass county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Wells presented

Petition No. 359.

Petition of E. E. Benton and 8 other citizens of Calhoun county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Ormsbee presented

Petition No. 360.

Petition of G. W. Hatton and 214 other citizens of Genesee county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Henry presented

Petition No. 361.

Petition of E. Braden and 254 other citizens of Calhoun county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Miller presented

Petition No. 362.

Petition of Carl F. Hansen and 19 other citizens of Trufant, Montcalm county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Miller presented

Petition No. 363.

Petition of Martin Hansen and 34 other citizens of Gowen, Montcalm county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Palmer presented

Petition No. 364.

Petition of Henry Long and 37 other citizens of Detroit, Wayne county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Palmer presented

Petition No. 365.

Petition of L. G. Smith and 28 other citizens of Detroit, Wayne county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

The Speaker presented

Petition No. 366.

Petition of Amos L. Krunig and 12 other citizens of Clifford, Lapeer county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

The Speaker presented

Petition No. 367.

Petition of Ralph D. Harris and 17 other citizens of Almont, Lapeer county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

The Speaker presented

Petition No. 368.

Petition of John Muir and 5 other citizens of Columbiaville, Lapeer

county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

The Speaker presented

Petition No. 369.

Petition of R. F. Frary and 24 other citizens of Lapeer county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Amon presented

Petition No. 370.

Petition of C. G. Gendberling and 33 other citizens of Mecosta, Mecosta county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Amon presented

Petition No. 371.

Petition of John Hendryx and 35 other citizens of Rodney, Mecosta county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Oakley presented

Petition No. 372.

Petition of N. King and 4 other citizens of Pinconning, Bay county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Oakley presented

Petition No. 373.

Petition of J. E. McGuinees and 10 other citizens of Kawkawlin, Bay county, favoring an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Warner presented

Petition No. 374.

Petition of Wm. G. Hawley and 12 other citizens of Lyons, Ionia county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Warner presented

Petition No. 375.

Petition of Edward Insley and 11 other citizens of Smyrna, Ionia county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Van Antwerp presented

Petition No. 376.

Petition of P. J. Holhzemo and 15 other citizens of Grandville, Kent county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Van Antwerp presented

Petition No. 377.

Petition of T. E. Howard and 21 other citizens of Cedar Springs, Kent county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Van Antwerp presented

Petition No. 378.

Petition of A. Cooper and 87 other citizens of Rockford, Kent county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Rogers presented

Petition No. 379.

Petition of Web Peterson & Son and 10 other citizens of Muskegon Heights, Muskegon county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Rogers presented

Petition No. 380.

Petition of Edward Skeels and 20 other citizens of Whitehall, Muskegon county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Rogers presented

Petition No. 381.

Petition of M. W. Ripley and 12 other citizens of Montague, Muskegon county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Rogers presented

Petition No. 382.

Petition of Alom E. Purdy and 36 other citizens of Bailey, Muskegon county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Rogers presented

Petition No. 383.

Petition of Robt. M. Randall and 41 other citizens of Saginaw, Sagi-

naw county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Robertson presented

Petition No. 384.

Petition of Hugo G. Wesener and 5 other citizens of Saginaw, Saginaw county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Robertson presented

Petition No. 385.

Petition of John Erner and 8 other citizens of Zilwaukee, Saginaw county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Olmsted presented

Petition No. 386.

Petition of C. Haley and 6 other citizens of Coleman, Midland county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Place presented

Petition No. 387.

Petition of W. R. Beebe and 12 other citizens of Kalamazoo county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Follett presented

Petition No. 388.

Petition of James McKay and 12 other citizens of Prescott, Ogemaw county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Root presented

Petition No. 389.

Petition of Peter Paugeland and 2 other citizens of Filmore, Allegan county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Whiteley presented

Petition No. 390.

Petition of R. Griffin and 15 other citizens of Lewiston, Montmorency county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Ward presented

Petition No. 391.

Petition of C. V. Hart and 17 other citizens of Burt, Saginaw county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Ward presented

Petition No. 392.

Petition of T. J. Doane and 10 other citizens of Oakley, Saginaw county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of this State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Martin presented

Petition No. 393.

Protest of Chas. Dallas and 98 other citizens of Durand, Shiawassee county, against any increase in the rates charged by the railroads of the State.

The protest was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Lewis presented

Petition No. 394.

Petition of J. Rafter and 10 other citizens of Decatur, VanBuren county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Wolcott presented

Petition No. 395.

Petition of I. W. Bratt and 536 other citizens of Battle Creek, Calhoun county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Person presented

Petition No. 396.

Petition of A. B. Campbell and 48 other citizens of Lansing, Ingham county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Pray presented

Petition No. 397.

Petition of E. A. Baldesson and 198 other citizens of Eaton county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Sherman presented

Petition No. 398.

Petition of H. W. Sherk and 18 other citizens of Mayville, Tuscola

county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Sherman presented

Petition No. 399.

Petition of John Renner and 11 other citizens of Vassar, Tuscola county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Thomas Read presented

Petition No. 400.

Petition of Win. Webb and 9 other citizens of Pentwater, Oceana county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Thomas Read presented

Petition No. 401.

Petition of C. W. Tallant and 42 other citizens of Shelby, Oceana county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Sours presented

Petition No. 402.

Petition of Willis Pennington and 20 other citizens of Interlochen, Grand Traverse county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Sours presented

Petition No. 403.

Petition of B. O. Funk and 6 other citizens of Grawn, Grand Traverse county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Wieland presented

Petition No. 404.

Petition of W. S. Lovejoy and 20 other citizens of Milford, Oakland county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Oakley presented

Petition No. 405.

Petition of Jas. E. Duffy and 8 other citizens of Bay City, Bay county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Griggs presented
Petition No. 406.

Petition of Chas. Barnett and 3 other citizens of Clyde, Oakland county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Griggs presented
Petition No. 407.

Petition of the Woman's Literary Club, Pontiac, Oakland county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 64, relative to a retirement fund for teachers.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Person presented
Petition No. 408.

Petition of Wm. A. Olds and 6 other citizens of Okemos, Ingham county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Newel Smith presented
Petition No. 409.

Petition of J. H. Whitney and 3 other citizens of St. Louis, Gratiot county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Daigneau presented
Petition No. 410.

Petition of G. H. Moneton and 18 other citizens of St. Joseph, Berrien county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Hoffman presented
Petition No. 411.

Petition of George Bowling and 21 other citizens of McGregor, Sanilac county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Village Corporations, by Mr. Lewis, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 134, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 7 of Act No. 3 of the Public Acts of 1895, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation of villages within the State of Michigan, and defining their powers and duties," being section 2769 of the Compiled Laws of 1897; to empower villages to regulate, tax and license saloons.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

By the Committee on the State Public School at Coldwater.

Your Committee on the State Public School at Coldwater begs leave to make the following report:

On January 29th and 30th, 1915, we visited the institution and made a thorough inspection of all the buildings and found several of them in need of immediate and thorough repair.

Erected over forty years ago, they require constant attention and frequent painting, and this they have failed to get through lack of funds, especially during the period 1911 and 1912, when their appropriation was badly cut.

Crumbling foundations, leaking roofs and eaves, dry rot on porches, sprung doors and floors, require immediate repair, and several of the buildings are in need of immediate painting, inside and out. The equipments of the manual training and domestic science departments have not been used for some time, no funds being available to maintain competent instructors.

There are always boys and girls from 14 to 18 who need just this kind of practical training in this school and your committee in its recommendations would suggest that funds be provided for carrying on these departments.

Superintendent J. B. Montgomery has been in charge here for 17 years, and with a competent staff of teachers, cottage managers and attendants, maintains good discipline, has the valuable records of the institution systematically kept, and, as far as we could judge during our brief but searching inspection, is securing excellent results professionally.

The institution consists of the administration building, nine cottages, a school house, engine house, hospital, superintendent's residence, conservatory, beautiful grove, ten acres of playgrounds, etc.

There is a fine water and sewerage system, the latest improvements in steam heating, lighting, cooking, laundry, bathing and ventilating apparatus.

A new washing machine, steam mangle and repairs to a number of bath rooms, and new flooring for the dining hall, repairs to boilers, cement housing and walks, etc., are imperative. The farm of 160 acres, orchard of 700 apple trees, a fine herd of Holstein cattle and modern dairy equipment, seem to require the presence of a competent practical farm manager. (20 acres of fine garden.)

Most of the inmates being very young, milk is a necessity, and enough ought to be produced by the institution dairy to supply their wants. At present some 40 gallons per day are bought outside.

It has cost 45 cents per ton to haul 2,500 tons of coal annually from the side tracks nearly two miles away. If possible, rail connections should be secured.

The institution has received 7,967 children from its opening to July 1, 1914, and 92% of those given homes have made good, which augurs well for the training there received.

There were 224 children, of whom 26 were colored, and some 50 employes present during our inspection.

The current expense of this school is about \$40,000 per year, and the State has spent for the support of this institution \$1,723,420 to July 1, 1914. This money has been spent to give the dependent children and wards of the State a temporary home and an opportunity to fit themselves for wholesome and useful lives.

The Legislature of 1913 voted \$19,000 for three buildings and \$6,000 for grading and equipment, for crippled dependent children.

This was found insufficient and another \$25,216 is asked for this year, to carry out the plans for such new buildings, especially adapted for crippled children.

Your committee is of the opinion that these new buildings should be placed on the Marshall road near State street, rather than on the site in rear, tentatively desired by the Board of Control, as in time we believe this branch will be the most important part of this school.

Your committee is also of the opinion that only such crippled dependents of sound mind and physically able to acquire an education that would eventually make them self-supporting should be sent to this school, and that the State should establish a hospital near the University of Michigan or the Detroit School of Medicine for the crippled dependents who require a personal attendant and the attention of medical experts for physical and mental reasons.

We submit that in establishing this new department at this school, this Legislature should look well into the future as well as providing for immediate needs. Consequently we favor the erection of two-story buildings with elevator service, providing modern homes and equipment for at least 100 cripples, instead of 50, as now planned, and would recommend that appropriations for such buildings in section 3 be increased accordingly, by the Finance and the Ways and Means committees, upon hearings, to the authorities in charge of this school. Should we provide finally for building additions for crippled dependents at this school, then more farm acreage may be desirable, especially for augmenting the pure milk supply so essential to this school, and the Millins-Watson farm of 188 acres, abutting and cutting into the present State property of 160 acres, can be secured at going farm values in that vicinity.

This school watches faithfully over the 1,600 wards of the State in homes, and has over 4,000 launched on life's activities, who seem by their success the best proof of the good this school is doing.

Your committee believes in strict economy in all public affairs and the cutting off of all unnecessary expenditures, but we do not approve false economy which cuts down appropriations for a period below the amounts required for most urgent needs and necessary improvements. All this really causes loss and waste in the end.

And in this spirit we shall submit to you the appropriation recommendations of your committee for the ensuing two years, confident that these amounts are absolutely necessary, that these amounts will be well spent, and that they are for an institution which gives more than

charity by conserving the dependent youth and providing homes under constant State supervision.

ARCHIBALD ROBERTSON,
ARI H. WOODWORTH,
LYNN J. LEWIS,
ALLAN L. LAMPHERE.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting Senate concurrent resolution No. 10.

Whereas, There have been introduced in the Senate and House of Representatives during this session various bills providing for an increase in the passenger rates for the railroads of Michigan, which bills are now under consideration before the railroad committees of the Senate and House; and

Whereas, Said committees have been and now are conducting public hearings on said bills and during the course of said hearings there has been presented on behalf of said railroads, a mass of statements and statistics relative to the earnings and operating expenses of such railroads; and,

Whereas, It is the desire of the members of the House and Senate in attendance at such hearings, that such statements, figures and statistics should be, in some manner, verified or authenticated;

Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring), that the various statements, figures and statistics submitted by said railroads during said hearings, together with the stenographic report of said hearing, be submitted to the Michigan Railroad Commission with the respectful request that the commission examine said statements, figures, statistics and report, with a view to verifying the same and report back to this Legislature as early as possible its findings as to whether or not such statements, figures and statistics are correct and authentic, so that said report may be available on the hearing of said bills.

The question being on concurring in the adoption of the resolution,

Mr. Croll moved that the resolution be referred to the Committee on Railroads.

The motion prevailed.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Stevens introduced
House bill No. 218, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of Act No. 151 of the Public Acts of 1905, entitled "An act to provide for the lawful taking of whitefish in the waters of Torch lake in the counties of Antrim and Kalkaska, Michigan, by means of a spear."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Fish and Fisheries.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. William F. Jerome made written request for the printing of House bill No. 117, entitled

A bill to amend sections 37 and 39 of Act No. 313 of the Public Acts of 1887, as amended, entitled "An act to provide for the taxation, licensing and regulation of the business of manufacturing, selling, keeping for sale, furnishing, giving or delivering spirituous and intoxicating liquor and malt, brewed or fermented liquors and vinous liquors in this State, and to repeal all acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act.

The request was referred to the Committee on Printing.

Messrs. DeBoer, Gettel, William F. Jerome and Rogers asked and obtained leaves of absence from Monday night's session.

Messrs. Empson and Palmer asked and obtained leaves of absence from Monday and Tuesday's sessions.

Mr. Averill moved that the House adjourn.

The motion prevailed, the time being 9:25 o'clock a. m.

The Speaker declared the House adjourned until Monday at 8:30 o'clock p. m.

CHARLES S. PIERCE,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.

THIRTIETH DAY.

Lansing, Monday, February 22.

8:30 o'clock p. m.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

Religious exercises were conducted by Rev. F. E. Carter of Allegan.

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk, who announced that a quorum was present.

Messrs. Empson, Flowers, Sheridan Ford, Gettel, Haviland, McMillan, Matthews, Palmer and Petermann were absent with leave.

Messrs. Bosch, Culver, Ransom L. Ford, Griggs, Kemmerling, Koehler, Kooyers, Lamphere, Person, Van Antwerp, Wieland and Wood were absent without leave.

Mr. Ormsbee moved that Mr. R. L. Ford be excused from today's session.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Jones moved that the other absentees without leave be excused from today's session.

The motion prevailed.

The Speaker presented the following communication, which was read by the Clerk:

To the Members of the House of Representatives:

Mrs. Homer McGraw
and family
gratefully acknowledge
your expression of sympathy and kindness
in their bereavement.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

Mr. Ashley presented

Petition No. 412.

Petition of Wm. Becker and 31 other citizens of Detroit, Wayne

county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Woodruff presented

Petition No. 413.

Petition of James Austin and 10 other citizens of Wayne, Wayne county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Newel Smith presented

Petition No. 414.

Petition of Alf. E. Crawford and 21 other citizens of Breckenridge, Gratiot county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Schmidt presented

Petition No. 415.

Petition of C. Morris and 17 other citizens of McBain, Missaukee county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Place presented

Petition No. 416.

Petition of F. A. Pollin and 10 other citizens of St. Joseph, Berrien county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Woodruff presented

Petition No. 417.

Petition of H. Byron Scott and 14 other citizens of Detroit, Wayne county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Anderson presented

Petition No. 418.

Petition of M. G. Paul and 2 other citizens of Thompsonville, Benzie county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Anderson presented

Petition No. 419.

Resolutions adopted by the Executive Committee of the Western Michigan Development Association, favoring the present road law.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on Roads and Bridges.

Mr. Edwards presented

Petition No. 420.

Petition of C. J. McGee and 316 other citizens of Houghton county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the Upper Peninsula.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Edwards presented

Petition No. 421.

Petition of Andrew Bram and 113 other citizens of Houghton county, requesting the passage of more stringent laws to protect and preserve wild game, providing for a hunter's license, the payment of a bounty of \$50 for killing wolves, and the levying of a half of one mill tax for purchasing available wild lands.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Nelson presented

Petition No. 422.

Petition of A. T. Eggen and 10 other citizens of Bessemer, Gogebic county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the Upper Peninsula.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Schmidt presented

Petition No. 423.

Resolutions adopted by Evart Woman's Club, of Evart, Osceola county, favoring the construction of a fireproof addition to, or separate building from the present Capitol building.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on State Capitol and Public Buildings.

Mr. Hinkley presented

Petition No. 424.

Petition of B. Bowman and 35 other citizens of Petoskey, Emmet county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Croll presented

Petition No. 425.

Petition of Chas. H. Roe and 36 other citizens of Harrison, Clare county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Whiteley presented

Petition No. 426.

Petition of R. Bratfish and 5 other citizens of the city of Grayling, Crawford county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Whiteley presented

Petition No. 427.

Petition of James Kennedy and 4 other citizens of Gaylord, Otsego county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Daprato presented

Petition No. 428.

Petition of Florence F. Keightley and 61 other teachers of Iron Mountain, Dickinson county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 64, relative to a retirement fund for teachers.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Symonds presented

Petition No. 429.

Resolutions adopted by R. L. Nye and 27 other members of Pleasant Valley Grange, Menominee county, against any change in the passenger rates charged by the railroads of the State.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Whiteley presented

Petition No. 430.

Petition of Wm. Damoth and 21 other citizens of Roscommon, Roscommon county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Lewis presented

Petition No. 431.

Protest of George Heagy and 166 other citizens of Van Buren county, against the passage of House bill No. 139, entitled "A bill to co-ordinate the health service of the State."

The protest was referred to the Committee on Public Health.

Mr. Newel Smith presented

Petition No. 432.

Petition of John Hatfield and 168 other citizens of Gratiot county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Schmidt presented

Petition No. 433.

Petition of Sydney Cooper and 87 other citizens of Osceola county, in favor of the present deer hunting law.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Samuel J. Smith presented

Petition No. 434.

Petition of Michael Healey and 5 other citizens of Cheboygan, Che-

boygan county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Symonds presented

Petition No. 435.

Resolutions adopted by the Board of Supervisors of Menominee county, favoring an impartial investigation of the passenger rates charged by the railroads of Michigan and the determining of the question on its merits.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. F. A. Smith presented

Petition No. 436.

Petition of Mrs. Carroll E. Miller and 21 other Daughters of American Revolution, "Marie Therese Cadillac Chapter," of Cadillac, Wexford county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 64, relative to a retirement fund for teachers.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Olmsted presented

Petition No. 437.

Petition of D. M. Johnson and 3 other citizens of Midland, Midland county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Sherman presented

Petition No. 438.

Petition of C. W. Cooper and 9 other citizens of Fostoria, Tuscola county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Sherman presented

Petition No. 439.

Petition of F. A. Waltz and 4 other citizens of Vassar, Tuscola county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Sherman presented

Petition No. 440.

Petition of S. Montague and 12 other citizens of Caro, Tuscola county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Wells presented

Petition No. 441.

Petition of F. Burnett and 23 other citizens of Pokagon, Cass county,

in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Stevens presented

Petition No. 442.

Petition of M. E. Whiteman and 10 other citizens of Rapid City, Kalkaska county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Sherman presented

Petition No. 443.

Petition of R. Case and 126 other citizens of Tuscola county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Follett presented

Petition No. 444.

Petition of Arthur Wheeler and 2 other citizens of Standish, Arenac county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Hoffman presented

Petition No. 445.

Petition of Roy S. Vincent and 17 other citizens of Brown City, Sanilac county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Cowan presented

Petition No. 446.

Protest of Brockway Grange, of St. Clair county, against any increase in the passenger fares charged by the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. DeBoer presented

Petition No. 447.

Petition of Henry Carpenter and 46 other citizens of Grand Rapids, Kent county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Gayde presented

Petition No. 448.

Petition of C. Rohn and 10 other citizens of Detroit, Wayne county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Gayde presented
Petition No. 449.

Petition of Hamilton Adams and 12 other citizens of New Boston, Wayne county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Gayde presented
Petition No. 450.

Petition of J. D. McLaren and 19 other citizens of Plymouth, Wayne county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Amon presented
Petition No. 451.

Petition of Eli A. Pinney and 12 other citizens of Morley, Mecosta county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Amon presented
Petition No. 452.

Petition of M. J. Stout and 2 other citizens of Millbrook, Mecosta county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Cowan presented
Petition No. 453.

Petition of F. W. English and 208 other citizens of Port Huron, St. Clair county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Nank presented
Petition No. 454.

Petition of E. T. Bartlett and 400 other citizens of Macomb county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Miller presented
Petition No. 455.

Petition of R. H. McDonald and 21 other citizens of Howard City, Montcalm county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Miller presented
Petition No. 456.

Petition of W. Charles Cole and 20 other citizens of Edmore, Montcalm county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Miller presented

Petition No. 457.

Petition of Jessie E. Palmer and 7 other citizens of Stanton, Montcalm county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 64, relative to a retirement fund for teachers.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Hinkley presented

Petition No. 458.

Petition of A. E. Watson and 66 other citizens of Petoskey, Emmet county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Averill presented

Petition No. 459.

Petition of Carl M. Saunders and 37 other citizens of Grand Rapids, Kent county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY CLERK OF PRINTING OF BILLS.

The Clerk announced that the following named bills had been printed and placed upon the files of the members Friday, February 19:

Senate bill No. 65 (file No. 98), entitled

A bill to provide for, and to regulate, the reading of the Holy Bible in the public schools of this State.

Senate bill No. 75 (file No. 99), entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the State Public School for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1916, to meet a deficiency in the current expense appropriation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1915, and to provide a tax for the same.

Senate bill No. 21 (file No. 100), entitled

A bill authorizing, empowering and requiring the board of control of the Michigan State Prison to sell and dispose of certain lands situate within the city of Jackson.

House bill No. 113 (file No. 46), entitled

A bill to amend section 10 of chapter 3 of Act No. 283 of the Public Acts of 1911, entitled "An act to revise, consolidate and add to the laws relating to the establishment, opening, improvement, maintenance and use of the public highways and private roads; the condemnation of property and gravel therefor; the building, repairing and preservation of bridges; setting and protecting shade trees; drainage; cutting weeds and brush within this State, and providing for the election and defining the powers, duties and compensation of State, county, township and district highway officials," approved June 2, 1909, as last amended by Act No. 355 of the Public Acts of 1913; relative to num-

ber of signers to applications for submission of question of bond issue in good roads districts.

House bill No. 96 (file No. 47), entitled

A bill to amend chapter 4 of Act No. 283 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to revise, consolidate and add to the laws relating to the establishment, opening, improvement, maintenance and use of the public highways and private roads; the condemnation of property and gravel therefor; the building, repairing and preservation of bridges; setting and protecting shade trees; drainage; cutting weeds and brush within this State, and providing for the election and defining the powers, duties and compensation of State, county, township and district highway officials," approved June 2, 1909, by adding thereto one new section to stand as section 6a; to provide for decreasing or increasing the membership of boards of county road commissioners in counties operating under the county road system.

The Clerk announced that the following named bills had been printed and placed upon the files of the members Saturday, February 20:

Senate bill No. 135 (file No. 101), entitled

A bill for the incorporation of ecclesiastical seminaries for the higher and doctrinal education of persons intending to enter upon the ministry of the gospel.

Senate bill No. 144 (file No. 102), entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the State Board of Library Commissioners for the special purposes of defraying the expenses of organization of existing and new libraries, and for the expense of library institutes and training schools, and for the general expenses of the board for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

Senate bill No. 146 (file No. 103), entitled

A bill to require the registration of charitable organizations, institutions or associations soliciting public aid, and providing a penalty for the violations thereof.

Senate bill No. 147 (file No. 104), entitled

A bill to provide for the establishment of a general hospital department in the Traverse City State Hospital, to provide for the government thereof and for the reception and treatment of patients seeking medical or surgical aid therein.

Senate bill No. 148 (file No. 105), entitled

A bill to provide a tax to meet the several appropriations for which a tax is not otherwise provided for the general expenses of the State government, salaries of the State officers, judicial and other expenses of the State departments, and expenses of the Legislature for the years 1915 and 1916.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM STATE OFFICERS.

Michigan Railroad Commission,

February 19, 1915.

To the Honorable Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives:

Gentlemen:—This department is in receipt of a letter addressed to its

Chairman, having attached thereto under the head of "Motions and Resolutions" House Resolution No. 32, requesting this department to prepare and present to your Honorable Body at its earliest convenience its views upon the question of permitting the railroads of this State an increase in their passenger rates, supporting the same with such data and statistics as may be available from the records of the department.

We beg to advise that it is the judgment of the department that the terms of the resolution can be complied with and presentation made in about ten days; such definite date to be conveyed to you later.

In view of the illness of Chairman Hemans, to whom this communication was addressed, this reply is made by the writer on behalf of the department.

Respectfully yours,
MICHIGAN RAILROAD COMMISSION,
By C. L. GLASGOW,
Commissioner.

Auditor General's Office,
February 20, 1915.

Hon. Charles W. Smith, Speaker, House of Representatives:

Dear Sir:—In compliance with House resolution No. 29, I submit herewith a statement of the amounts disbursed for the several special Commissions created by acts of the Legislature during the sessions of 1909, 1911 and 1913.

Yours truly,
O. B. FULLER,
Auditor General.

Statement showing the disbursements and compensation of the several special commissions created by acts of the Legislature during the sessions of 1909, 1911 and 1913:

Year and Act.	Commission.	Compensation of Commissioners.	Expense of Commissioners.	Clerk hire and Miscellaneous expenses.	Total.
1909					
92	Commission for unveiling Gen. George A. Custer Statue (appropriation \$2,000)			\$1,239 28	\$1,239 28
138	Commission to make an investigation into the subject of vagrancy, habitual drunkenness, disorderly persons and similar subjects. (No expense to State)				
140	Board of Prison Industries		\$997 37	74 58	1,071 95
196	Board of Commissioners for the promotion of uniformity of legislation in the U. S. (appropriation \$200 per annum)		890 17	208 86	1,098 53
228	State Commission on industrial education, including elementary training in agriculture. (No expense to State)				
233	Commission to represent the State of Michigan at the centennial anniversary of the Battle of Lake Erie to be held at Put-In-Bay Island in the year 1913		453 45	5 23	458 68

Year and Act.	Commission.	Compensation of Commissioners.	Expense of Commissioners.	Clerk hire and Miscellaneous expenses.	Total.
1909					
262	Commission for relief Fire Sufferers—Presque Isle and Alpena counties (appropriation \$10,000).....			\$8,094 08	\$8,094 08
1911					
77	Commission to aid in securing permanent and maneuvering grounds for the Michigan national guard (appropriation \$500)	\$135 00	\$335 66		470 66
92	Commission of Inquiry to review, investigate and inquire into the entire system of taxation	5,515 87	688 29	6,475 43	12,679 59
114	State Board of Tax Commissioners to investigate Michigan mining properties (appropriation \$30,000).....			23,012 33	23,012 33
136	Commission to place Zachariah Chandler Statue in Old Representative Hall, Washington, D. C. (appropriation \$15,000)		715 05	9,062 50	9,777 55
245	Commission of Inquiry—Workmen's Compensation		366 60	6,026 86	6,393 46
1913					
57	Fiftieth Anniversary of Battle of Gettysburg Commission (appropriation \$20,000)		540 37	19,459 63	20,000 00
145	Commission to provide for participation of the State of Michigan in Perry's Victory Celebration (appropriation \$30,000)		107 37	20,000 00	20,107 37
150	Commission to investigate the extent of feeble-mindedness, epilepsy, insanity and other conditions of mental defectiveness. (Eugenics.)		15 03	9,463 09	9,478 12
173	Board of Commissioners, Michigan Farm Colony for Epileptics.....		175 80		175 80
247	Commission for collection, compilation and reprinting of the general laws of this State, together with digest of decisions of supreme court (appropriation \$17,000)	9,999 96		1,606 49	11,606 45
286	Commission to prepare and report bills for the revision and consolidation of the general laws of this State relative to civil practice and procedure, domestic relations and other general laws	12,645 83	1,092 59	2,066 04	15,804 46
290	Minimum Wage Commission		387 98	7,017 24	7,405 22
	Total	\$28,296 66	\$6,765 73	\$113,811 14	\$148,873 53

Statement showing the disbursements of the several permanent commissions created by acts of the Legislature during the sessions of 1909, 1911 and 1913:

Year and act.	Commission.	Amount expended.
1909		
215	Board of Control, St. Clair Flats (no further expenses on account of court proceedings)	\$114 50
280	Public Domain Commission	185,825 21

Year and act.	Commission.	Amount expended.
1913		
143	Michigan Securities Commission	*\$5,968 82
265	Joint Penology Commission (appropriation \$2,000 per annum).....	2,780 40
271	Michigan Historical Commission (appropriation \$5,000 per annum)*....	8,098 81
	Total	\$152,282 24

*Receipts of this Commission credited to General Fund, \$13,980.58.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting
Senate bill No. 19 (file No. 19), entitled

A bill making appropriations for the Michigan Soldiers' Home for current expenses for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, and to provide a tax therefor.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Soldiers' Home.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting
Senate bill No. 109 (file No. 79), entitled

A bill prescribing vacations for persons regularly employed in the Michigan State Prison, the State House of Correction and Branch of State Prison in the Upper Peninsula, and the Michigan Reformatory.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Labor.

Mr. W. F. Jerome moved that the House adjourn.

The motion prevailed, the time being 8:50 o'clock p. m.

The Speaker declared the House adjourned until tomorrow at 2:00 o'clock p. m.

CHARLES S. PIERCE,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.

THIRTY-FIRST DAY.

Lansing, Tuesday, February 23.

2 o'clock p. m.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

Religious exercises were conducted by Rev. W. F. Jerome, of St. Peter's Episcopal Church, of Hillsdale.

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk, who announced that a quorum was present.

Messrs. Empson, Flowers, Haviland and Petermann were absent with leave.

Messrs. Evens, Gettel, Kemmerling, Kooyers, Lamphere and Person were absent without leave.

Mr. Daprato moved that Mr. Evens be excused from today's session. The motion prevailed.

Mr. Hinkley moved that an indefinite leave of absence be granted to Mr. Kemmerling.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Woodruff moved that an indefinite leave of absence be granted to Mr. Lamphere.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Nank moved that the absentees without leave be excused from today's session.

The motion prevailed.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

Mr. Hinkley presented

Petition No. 460.

Petition of Geo. H. Brockway and 24 other citizens of Petoskey,

Emmet county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Warner presented

Petition No. 461.

Petition of L. E. Larson and 123 other citizens of Ionia county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Warner presented

Petition No. 462.

Petition of Wm. B. Conner and 15 other citizens of Shiloh, Ionia county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Warner presented

Petition No. 463.

Petition of T. H. Fieldt and 208 other citizens of Saranac, Ionia county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Warner presented

Petition No. 464.

Petition of G. A. Cone and 66 other citizens of Ionia, Ionia county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Warner presented

Petition No. 465.

Petition of Charles Rogers and 171 other citizens of Ionia county, requesting the Legislature to repeal the law creating the State Tax Commission.

The petition was referred to the Committee on General Taxation.

Mr. Jones presented

Petition No. 466.

Petition of Fred Howell and 88 other citizens of Detroit, Wayne county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Penney presented

Petition No. 467.

Petition of J. H. Lewis and 62 other citizens of Saginaw, Saginaw county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Oakley presented

Petition No. 468.

Petition of W. H. Brigham and 39 other citizens of Bay City, Bay county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. James D. Jerome presented

Petition No. 469.

Petition of E. R. Vreeland and 69 other citizens of Detroit, Wayne county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Hulse presented

Petition No. 470.

Petition of M. F. Crane and 331 other citizens of Clinton and Gratiot counties, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Matthews presented

Petition No. 471.

Petition of Wm. Harrington and 8 other citizens of Galien, Berrien county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Matthews presented

Petition No. 472.

Petition of Fred L. Scott and 30 other citizens of Coloma, Berrien county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Lewis presented

Petition No. 473.

Protest of W. C. Burge and 202 other citizens of South Haven, Van Buren county, against the passage of House bill No. 139, entitled "A bill to co-ordinate the health service of the State."

The protest was referred to the Committee on Public Health.

Mr. Lewis presented

Petition No. 474.

Petition of Byron D. Hogmire and 304 other citizens of Bangor, Van Buren county, in favor of the present deer hunting law.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Lewis presented

Petition No. 475.

Petition of Bernice Bush and 6 other citizens of Gobleville, Van Buren

county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 64, relative to a retirement fund for teachers.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Leland presented

Petition No. 476.

Petition of Wiebe Faber and 4 other citizens of East Saugatuck, Allegan county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Oakley presented

Petition No. 477.

Petition of C. B. Chatfield and 74 other citizens of Bay City, Bay county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Whiteley presented

Petition No. 478.

Petition of R. Hanson and 58 other citizens of Grayling, Crawford county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 64, relative to a retirement fund for teachers.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Tufts presented

Petition No. 479.

Petition of Geo. Smith and 15 other citizens of Freesoil, Mason county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Tufts presented

Petition No. 480.

Petition of J. S. Stearns and 30 other citizens of Ludington, Mason county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Tufts presented

Petition No. 481.

Petition of Chas. E. Hackett and 25 other citizens of Freesoil, Mason county, in favor of the present deer hunting law.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Warner presented

Petition No. 482.

Petition of W. J. Foster and 3 other citizens of Elmdale, Ionia county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Ross presented

Petition No. 483.

Petition of F. A. Howlett, C. Lynch, M. B. Lea and 101 other citizens of Livingston county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Bosch presented

Petition No. 484.

Petition of C. Fowler and 156 other citizens of Kent and Ottawa counties, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Sours presented

Petition No. 485.

Petition of H. C. Hoffman and 34 other citizens of Traverse City, Grand Traverse county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Sours presented

Petition No. 486.

Resolutions adopted by the Western Michigan Development Bureau of Traverse City, Grand Traverse county, in favor of the present road law.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on Roads and Bridges.

Mr. McMillan presented

Petition No. 487.

Petition of Carl Strubel and 7 other citizens of East Jordan, Charlevoix county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. McMillan presented

Petition No. 488.

Petition of F. B. VanShoick and 8 other citizens of Hays township, Charlevoix county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Foote presented

Petition No. 489.

Petition of J. W. Fifield and 10 other citizens of Sparta, Kent county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Foote presented

Petition No. 490.

Petition of R. VanDyke and 156 other citizens of Kent county, in

favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Wolcott presented

Petition No. 491.

Petition of Wm. Zull and 45 other citizens of Marshall, Calhoun county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Sutton presented

Petition No. 492.

Petition of A. P. Norton and 32 other citizens of Ann Arbor, Washtenaw county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Stevenson presented

Petition No. 493.

Petition of Jos. Warner and 41 other citizens of Detroit, Wayne county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Frank A. Smith presented

Petition No. 494.

Petition of George G. Brown and 6 other citizens of Cadillac, Wexford county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 64, relative to a retirement fund for teachers.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Henry presented

Petition No. 495.

Petition of H. Tawnley and 20 other citizens of Battle Creek, Calhoun county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Stevens presented

Petition No. 496.

Petition of R. V. Sanford and 13 other citizens of South Boardman, Kalkaska county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Wood presented

Petition No. 497.

Petition of J. M. Ryan and 104 other citizens of Jackson, Jackson county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Koehler presented
Petition No. 498.

Petition of C. O. Evans and 68 other citizens of Detroit, Wayne county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Miller presented
Petition No. 499.

Petition of Albert Hunt and 6 other citizens of McBrides, Montcalm county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Hopkins presented
Petition No. 500.

Petition of William Lloyd and 33 other citizens of Manistee, Manistee county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Matthews presented
Petition No. 501.

Petition of W. M. Baldwin and 33 other citizens of Watervliet, Berrien county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Matthews presented
Petition No. 502.

Petition of John Nagle and 27 other citizens of Niles, Berrien county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY CLERK OF PRINTING OF BILLS.

The Clerk announced that the following named bills had been printed and placed upon the files of the members Tuesday, February 23:

House bill No. 198 (file No. 48), entitled

A bill to amend section 11 of Act 152 of the Public Acts of 1885, entitled "An act to authorize the establishment of a home for disabled soldiers, sailors and marines in the State of Michigan," as last amended by Act 2 of the Public Acts of 1907, Extra Session, and to add thereto two new sections to be known as sections 11 "a" and 11 "b".

House bill No. 153 (file No. 49), entitled

A bill to amend section 14 of Act No. 190 of the Public Acts of 1891, entitled "An act to prescribe the manner of conducting and to prevent fraud and deception at elections in this State," being section 3625 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as last amended by Act No. 214 of the Public Acts of 1901.

House bill No. 19 (file No. 50), entitled

A bill to provide for the examination, regulation, licensing and registration of chiropractors; for the appointment of a State board of registration in chiropractic; for the punishment of offenders against this act and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in conflict herewith.

House bill No. 140 (file No. 51), entitled

A bill to provide free hospital service and medical and surgical treatment for persons afflicted with a malady or deformity which can be benefited by hospital treatment who are unable to pay for such care and treatment, and for pregnant women unable to pay for such care and treatment and for the children of such pregnant women born during the period of hospital care, and providing for the expense thereof, and prescribing the jurisdiction of the probate court in said cases, and to repeal Act No. 274 of the Public Acts of 1913.

House bill No. 185 (file No. 52), entitled

A bill to repeal Act No. 125 of the Public Acts of 1899, entitled "An act to prohibit the taking or catching of fish by any means or device other than hook and line in Crooked lake, Pickerel lake, Pickerel channel or Crooked river in Emmet county," upon approval by the electors of said county of Emmet.

House bill No. 134 (file No. 53), entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 7 of Act No. 3 of the Public Acts of 1895, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation of villages within the State of Michigan, and defining their powers and duties," being section 2769 of the Compiled Laws of 1897; to empower villages to regulate, tax and license saloons.

Senate bill No. 150 (file No. 106), entitled

A bill to provide for the construction and improvement of highways and the assessment and collection of taxes therefor.

Senate bill No. 151 (file No. 107), entitled

A bill to regulate the taking, possession and sale of blue gills, sunfish, perch, calico bass and crappies.

Senate bill No. 152 (file No. 108), entitled

A bill to provide for the preservation of the forests of this State and for the prevention and suppression of forest fires; and to provide for an appropriation to carry out the provisions of this act.

Senate bill No. 153 (file No. 109), entitled

A bill authorizing the investment of the deposits of savings banks in bonds of public utilities, the issuance of which have been approved by the Michigan Railroad Commission, or by any commission, officer or authority exercising similar control over the issuance of such bonds, and to repeal all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith.

Senate bill No. 154 (file No. 110), entitled

A bill to amend sections 5 and 7 of Act No. 6 of the Public Acts of the Extra Session of 1907, entitled "An act to define and regulate the treatment and control of dependent, neglected and delinquent children; to prescribe the jurisdiction of the probate court and the powers, duties and compensation of the probate judge and probate register with regard thereto; to provide for the appointment of county agents, register of the juvenile division and probation officers, and to prescribe their powers, duties and compensation," as amended by Act No. 310 of the Public Acts of 1909.

Senate bill No. 155 (file No. 111), entitled

A bill to provide for the right and authority of the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul in the city of Detroit, a Michigan corporation, to be appointed and to act as guardian of minors, incompetent persons, lunatics, or any other person subject to guardianship, and to provide for the appointment of such corporation as such guardian by any court of competent jurisdiction.

Senate bill No. 156 (file No. 112), entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of Act No. 77 of the Public Acts of 1891, entitled "An act to provide for the adoption of minors, and for a change of name of such minors when a change of name is desired, and for making them heirs at law of the person or persons adopting them, and to repeal Act No. 144 of the Public Acts of 1887, relative to the adoption and change of name of minors and making them heirs at law of the person or persons adopting them," as amended, the same being compiler's section 8777 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

Senate bill No. 61 (file No. 113), entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of Act No. 44 of the Public Acts of 1899, approved April 18, 1899, entitled "An act to provide for the publication and distribution of laws and documents, reports of the several officers, boards of officers and public institutions of this State, now or hereafter to be published, and to provide for the replacing of books lost by fire or otherwise, and to provide for the publication and distribution of the official directory and legislative manual of the State of Michigan, and to repeal Act No. 122 of the Session Laws of 1899, approved May 31, 1889, Act No. 20 of the Session Laws of 1889, approved March 19, 1889, and all other laws or parts of laws contravening or inconsistent with this act," as amended by Act No. 240 of the Public Acts of 1911.

Senate bill No. 76 (file No. 114), entitled

A bill to regulate the legal rate of interest that may be charged on real estate mortgages and land contracts, and to provide for the exemption of all taxes upon such instruments in this State.

Senate substitute for Senate bill No. 97 (file No. 70 and 110) (file No. 115), entitled

A bill making appropriations for the Michigan Agricultural College for building and special purposes for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1916, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

Senate bill No. 92 (file No. 116), entitled

A bill to authorize the incorporation of Michigan mercantile mutual fire insurance companies.

Senate bill No. 126 (file No. 117), entitled

A bill to amend section 9 of Act No. 198 of the Laws of 1873, entitled "An act to revise the laws providing for the incorporation of the railroad, bridge and tunnel companies and to regulate the running and management and to fix the duties and liabilities of all railroad, bridge, tunnel and other corporations owning or operating any railroad, bridge or tunnel within this State," as amended, said section being compiler's section 6234 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

Senate bill No. 164 (file No. 118), entitled

A bill legalizing gifts, grants, bequests and devises to religious, educational, charitable or benevolent uses, or for cemeteries, which would be otherwise invalid by reason of indefiniteness or uncertainty of the

persons designated as the beneficiaries thereunder in the instrument creating the same or by reason of contravening any statute or rule against perpetuities; and regulating the same; and repealing Act No. 122 of the Public Acts of 1907, and all amendments thereto.

Senate bill No. 166 (file No. 119), entitled

A bill to provide for the reporting and recording of industrial accidents in certain cases, and to provide a penalty for the violation thereof.

Senate bill No. 170 (file No. 120), entitled

A bill to amend sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 of Act No. 256 of the Public Acts of 1911, entitled "An act to encourage the breeding of horses, to regulate the public service of stallions, to request the registration of stallions and to provide for the enforcement thereof," and to add a new section thereto to stand as section 9, and to repeal Act No. 28 of the Public Acts of 1887, Act No. 166 of the Public Acts of 1905 and Act No. 145 of the Public Acts of 1907, and all acts amendatory thereto.

Senate bill No. 171 (file No. 121), entitled

A bill in relation to the keeping, control and taxation of dogs.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on State Affairs, by Mr. James D. Jerome, Chairman, reported

Senate bill No. 24 (file No. 22), entitled

A bill to provide for completing the records of plats in the office of the Auditor General by making an examination of all plats on file in the registers of deeds' offices in the several counties of this State, making tracings of all plats of record that are not of record in the office of the Auditor General, from which blue prints shall be made and filed in the office of the Auditor General, for the redesignation of captions of plats now on file for assessment purposes, and making an appropriation therefor; and requiring county officers to furnish necessary information and certified copies of certain court orders.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The Committee on Public Health, by Mr. Newel Smith, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 5 (file No. 7), entitled

A bill to provide for the incorporation of cremation companies and associations.

With the following amendment thereto, recommending that the amendment be concurred in and that when so amended the bill pass:

1. Amend by inserting in line 4 of section 5 after the word "whatsoever" the words "Provided, That all stock owned by said stockholders shall be taxed in the manner provided by law."

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the amendment to the bill recommended by the committee,

The amendment was adopted.

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Printing, by Mr. VanAntwerp, Chairman, reported
The written request of Mr. Palmer for the printing of
House bill No. 189, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1, 3, 16, 20, 25, 28 and 38 and to repeal sections 18, 21 and 42 and all other sections and parts of sections conflicting with the provisions of this act, of Act No. 281 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act relative to the nomination of party candidates for public office and delegates to political conventions; to regulate primary elections and to prescribe penalties for violations of its provisions; and to provide for the printing upon election ballots of the names of candidates nominated under the terms of this act; and to repeal Act No. 4 of the Public Acts of the Extra Session of the year 1907, and all local primary election acts contravening the provisions of this act, except as in this act otherwise provided," approved June 2, 1909, as amended by Act No. 279 of the Public Acts of 1911, and as further amended by Act No. 118 of the Public Acts of 1913.

With the recommendation that the request be granted.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the recommendation of the committee,

The recommendation was concurred in, and the bill ordered printed.

The Committee on Printing, by Mr. VanAntwerp, Chairman, reported
The written request of Mr. Wm. F. Jerome for the printing of
House bill No. 117, entitled

A bill to amend sections 37 and 39 of Act No. 313 of the Public Acts of 1887, as amended, entitled "An act to provide for the taxation, licensing and regulation of the business of manufacturing, selling, keeping for sale, furnishing, giving or delivering spirituous and intoxicating liquors and malt, brewed or fermented liquors and vinous liquors in this State, and to repeal all acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act.

With the recommendation that the request be granted.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the recommendation of the committee,

The recommendation was concurred in, and the bill ordered printed.

The Committee on Printing, by Mr. VanAntwerp, Chairman, reported
The written request of Mr. Wm. F. Jerome for the printing of
House bill No. 205, entitled

A bill to provide for the assessment and the collection of a specific annual tax upon the class of credits founded upon and evidenced by mortgages and liens upon real property, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in contravention thereto.

With the recommendation that the request be granted.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the recommendation of the committee,

The recommendation was concurred in, and the bill ordered printed.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting
Senate bill No. 103 (file No. 75), entitled

A bill to amend section 31 of Act No. 173 of the Public Acts for the year 1913, entitled "An act to establish a farm colony for the humane, curative, scientific and economical treatment of epileptic persons, exclusive of insane and idiotic persons, to be known as the 'Michigan Farm Colony for Epileptics,' to regulate the procedure for admission thereto and to provide for the management and control thereof and making an appropriation therefor."

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Michigan Farm Colony for Epileptics.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting
Senate bill No. 7 (file No. 7), entitled

A bill to provide for the erection and construction of a State office building in the city of Lansing, and to make appropriation therefor.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Capitol and Public Buildings.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting
Senate bill No. 104 (file No. 76), entitled

A bill to regulate the planting of nut-bearing or fruit trees along the highways of the State of Michigan, for the maintenance, protection and care thereof, and to provide a penalty for injury to said trees and for stealing the products thereof.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Horticulture.

A message was received from the Senate returning
House bill No. 7 (file No. 2), entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of Act No. 49, of the Public Acts of 1885, entitled "An act for the relief of purchasers and settlers on swamp land, and to repeal Act No. 166, Session Laws of 1855, and Act No. 173, Session Laws of 1867, the same being sections 5386 and 5387, Howell's Annotated Statutes," now section 1494, of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill.

The bill was referred to the Clerk for printing and presentation to the Governor.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Croll introduced
House bill No. 219, entitled

A bill to amend section 141 of Act 206 of the Public Acts of 1893, entitled "An act to provide for the assessment of property and the levy

and collection of taxes thereon, and for the collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied; making such taxes a lien on the lands taxed; establishing and continuing such lien; providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes, and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the State and not redeemed or purchased; and to repeal Act No. 200 of the Public Acts of 1891, and all other acts and parts of acts in anywise contravening any of the provisions of this act," being section 3960 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as last amended by Act No. 270 of the Public Acts of 1909.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on General Taxation.

Mr. Martz introduced

House bill No. 220, entitled

A bill to provide for the reports of the several State officers, departments, boards, commissions and institutions; to provide for the filing of claims against the State; to provide for a statement of desired appropriations by individuals, corporations and associations; and to provide for a State budget.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Tufts introduced

House bill No. 221, entitled

A bill to provide for the transfer of the powers and duties of the State Game, Fish and Forestry Warden to the Public Domain Commission and to define the powers and duties of the Public Domain Commission in relation thereto and to make an appropriation therefor and to repeal all acts or parts of acts which conflict therewith.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Oakley introduced

House bill No. 222, entitled

A bill regulating the sale and use of habit-forming drugs, hypodermic syringes and needles, providing for the commitment of habitual drug users, and providing a penalty for the violation of this act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Public Health.

Mr. Oakley introduced

House bill No. 223, entitled

A bill to amend section 6 of chapter 83 of the Revised Statutes of 1846, entitled "Of marriage and the solemnization thereof," said section being compiler's section 8593 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by Act No. 247 of the Public Acts of 1899, as amended by Act No. 136 of the Public Acts of 1905, and to add three new sections 6a, 6b and 6c.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Public Health.

Mr. Cowan introduced

House bill No. 224, entitled

A bill to prescribe the conditions and restrictions under which public

vaults, crypts or mausoleums for the permanent interment of human bodies may be erected; to provide for the inspection and supervision of the construction of the same, and fixing a penalty for its violation.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Public Health.

Mr. Ormsbee introduced

House bill No. 225, entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of Act No. 137 of the laws of Michigan of 1849, entitled "An act to authorize proceedings against garnishees and for other purposes," being section 991 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as last amended by Act No. 172 of the Public Acts of 1901.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Ormsbee introduced

House bill No. 226, entitled

A bill to amend section 27 of Act 313 of the Public Acts of 1887, entitled, as originally enacted, "An act to provide for the taxation and regulation of the business of manufacturing, selling, keeping for sale, furnishing, giving or delivering spirituous and intoxicating liquors, and malt, brewed or fermented liquors, and vinous liquors in this State, and to repeal all acts, or parts of acts, inconsistent with the provisions of this act," and as amended by Act No. 291 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to provide for the taxation, licensing and regulation of the business of manufacturing, selling, keeping for sale, furnishing, giving or delivering spirituous and intoxicating liquors, and malt, brewed and fermented liquors, and vinous liquors in this State, and to repeal all acts, or parts of acts, inconsistent with the provisions of this act," being compiler's section 5405 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Nelson introduced

House bill No. 227, entitled

A bill to amend section 4 of Act 281 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act relative to the nomination of party candidates for public office and delegates to political conventions, to regulate primary elections and to prescribe penalties for violations of its provisions, and to provide for the printing upon election ballots of the names of candidates nominated under the terms of this act, and to repeal Act No. 4 of the Public Acts of the Extra Session of the year 1907, and all local primary election acts contravening the provisions of this act, except as in this act otherwise provided, as amended by Act 118 of the Public Acts of 1913.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Elections.

Mr. Hulse introduced

House bill No. 228, entitled

A bill to amend section 21 of chapter 4 of Act No. 3 of the Public Acts of 1895, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation of villages within the State of Michigan and defining their powers and duties," being section 2747 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Village Corporations.

Mr. Martin introduced

House bill No. 229, entitled

A bill to amend section 5 of Act 217 of Public Acts of 1897, entitled "An act to provide for the registration of deaths in Michigan, and requiring certificates of death."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Public Health.

Mr. Root introduced

House bill No. 230, entitled

A bill to limit the number of deputy sheriffs to be appointed in any county according to the population of such county, and to provide for additional deputy sheriffs in cases of emergency or public peril, and to repeal all acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Towns and Counties.

Mr. Woodruff introduced

House bill No. 231, entitled

A bill to repeal Act No. 186 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to provide and establish a court of domestic relations in each county of this State, which has a population of upwards of 250,000, to define its jurisdiction and for the purpose of this act to provide for additional circuit judges in such counties," approved May 6, 1913.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Stevens introduced

House bill No. 232, entitled

A bill to amend section 5 of Act No. 70 of the Public Acts of 1885, entitled "An act to establish and regulate a mining school in the Upper Peninsula," being section 1888 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by Act No. 224 of the Public Acts of 1903.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on College of Mines.

Mr. Averill introduced

House bill No. 233, entitled

A bill to amend section 26 of Act 285 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to provide for the creation of a Department of Labor; to make an appropriation for the maintenance of such department and to prescribe penalties for the violation of this act."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Labor.

Mr. Thomas Read introduced

House bill No. 234, entitled

A bill to exempt all elective or appointed State officials, their inspectors or agents, from the service of all civil process, except subpoenas

to appear as witnesses, while engaged in the performance of their official duties, in all counties of the State except the county constituting the legal residence of such official or agent.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Follett introduced

House bill No. 235, entitled

A bill to amend section 7 of Act No. 168 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to provide for a State Superintendent of Weights and Measures, State, county and city sealers and inspection of weights and measures, prescribing their powers and duties, providing penalties for fraud and deception in the use of false weights and measures, and confiscation thereof, and repealing sections 4882 to 4897 inclusive of the Compiled Laws of 1897."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Bosch introduced

House bill No. 236, entitled

A bill to provide for the licensing by the township boards of billiard and pool rooms outside of incorporated cities and villages.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Towns and Counties.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 125 (file No. 29), entitled

A bill to amend section 28 of Act No. 182 of the Public Acts of 1885, entitled "An act to provide for the appointment of a State Live Stock Sanitary Commission and a State Veterinarian, and to prescribe their powers and duties, and to prevent and suppress contagious and infectious diseases among the live stock of the State," as last amended by Act No. 199 of the Public Acts of 1913, and to add four new sections thereto to stand as sections 29, 30, 31 and 32; relative to the suppression of hog cholera.

Was read a third time and, the question being on its passage,

Mr. Moore moved to amend the bill

1. By striking out of line 5 of section 28 the words "resident of such county" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "competent person."

2. By striking out of line 18 of section 28 the words "The chairman of," and by inserting in line 19 after the word "supervisors" the words "or board of county auditors."

3. By striking out of line 6 of section 29 the words "authorized by the State Live Stock Sanitary Commission."

4. By inserting in line 18 of section 30 after the words "destination" the words "Provided further. That in cases of the shipment of infected or exposed hogs under the provision of this act, section 4 of Act No. 70 of the Public Acts of 1877 shall not apply."

The motion prevailed and the amendments were adopted, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor.

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Griggs	Mr. O'Brien	Mr. Snow
Anderson	Henry	Olmsted	Sours
Ashley	Hinkley	Ormsbee	Stevens
Averill	Hoffman	Palmer	Stevenson
Biggerstaff	Hopkins	Penney	Sutton
Bosch	Hulse	Place	Symonds
Chapin	Jerome, Jas. D.	Pray	Tufts
Clark	Jerome, Wm. F.	Quintel	Van Antwerp
Croll	Jones	Read, Thos.	Vine
Culver	Keen	Reed, C. J.	Ward
Daigneau	Koehler	Rice	Warner
Daprato	Leland	Robertson	Watkins
De Boer	Lewis	Rogers	Weissert
Edwards	McMillan	Root	Wells
Ewing	Martin	Ross	Whiteley
Follett	Martz	Schmidt	Wieland
Foote	Matthews	Sherman	Wiley
Ford, R. L.	Miller	Shields	Wolcott
Ford, Sheridan	Moore	Sly	Wood
Francis	Nank	Smith, F. A.	Woodruff
Gayde	Nelson	Smith, Newel	Wright
Green	Oakley	Smith, S. J.	Speaker

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

Mr. Moore moved that the bill be ordered to take immediate effect.

The motion prevailed, two-thirds of all the members-elect voting therefor.

House bill No. 106 (file No. 30), entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of Act 243 of the Public Acts of 1903, as amended by Act No. 119 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act in relation to the manufacture and sale of renovated butter."

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Griggs	Mr. O'Brien	Mr. Stevens
Anderson	Henry	Ormsbee	Sutton
Averill	Hinkley	Penney	Symonds
Biggerstaff	Hopkins	Place	Tufts
Bosch	Hulse	Pray	Van Antwerp
Chapin	Jerome, J. D.	Quintel	Vine
Clark	Jerome, W. F.	Read, Thos.	Ward
Croll	Jones	Reed, C. J.	Warner
Culver	Koehler	Rice	Watkins
Daigneau	Leland	Robertson	Weissert
Daprato	Lewis	Rogers	Wells
De Boer	McMillan	Root	Whiteley
Edwards	Martin	Ross	Wieland
Ewing	Matthews	Schmidt	Wiley
Follett	Miller	Sherman	Wolcott

Mr. Foote
Ford, R. L.
Francis
Gayde
Green

Mr. Moore
Nank
Nelson
Oakley

Mr. Smith, F. A.
Smith, Newel
Snow
Sours

Mr. Wood
Woodruff
Wright
Speaker

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NAYS.

Mr. Ashley
Ford, Sheridan
Hoffman

Mr. Keen
Martz
Olmsted

Mr. Palmer
Shields
Sly

Mr. Smith, S. J.
Stevenson

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Pending the announcement of the vote upon the bill.

Mr. Henry demanded the vote of Mr. Oakley.

Mr. Oakley voted "yea" and was so recorded.

The House agreed to the title of the bill.

House bill No. 122 (file No. 31), entitled

A bill to amend section 4 of Act No. 257 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to regulate the construction and operation of moving picture shows and theatres showing moving pictures, in which celluloid films are used, to provide for an inspection fee for operating the same, and to place supervision of such shows and theatres under the department of the State Fire Marshal," approved May 7, 1913, to permit the holding of moving picture exhibitions above the first or main floor in fire-proof buildings.

Was read a third time and, the question being on its passage,

Mr. Martz moved to amend the bill

1. By inserting in line 9 of section 4 after the word "floor" the words "or basement."

The motion did not prevail and the amendment was not adopted, a majority of all the members-elect not voting therefor.

The bill was then not passed, a majority of all the members-elect not voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Croll
Ford, Sheridan
Green
Griggs

Mr. Henry
Jerome, J. D.
Jones
Martin

Mr. Oakley
O'Brien
Palmer

Mr. Reed, C. J.
Smith, S. J.
Sutton

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NAYS.

Mr. Amon
Anderson
Ashley
Averill
Biggerstaff
Bosch
Chapin
Clark
Culver
Daigneau
Daprato
De Boer
Ewing
Foote
Ford, R. L.
Francis
Gayde

Mr. Hinkley
Hoffman
Hopkins
Hulse
Jerome, Wm. F.
Keen
Leland
Lewis
McMillan
Martz
Matthews
Miller
Moore
Nank
Nelson
Olmsted
Ormsbee

Mr. Penney
Place
Pray
Quintel
Read, Thos.
Rice
Rogers
Root
Ross
Schmidt
Sherman
Shields
Sly
Smith, F. A.
Snow
Sours
Stevens

Mr. Stevenson
Symonds
Tufts
Van Antwerp
Vine
Ward
Warner
Watkins
Weissert
Wells
Whiteley
Wieland
Wiley
Wolcott
Wood
Wright
Speaker

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House bill No. 115 (file No. 32), entitled

A bill to repeal Act No. 1 of the Session Laws of 1869, as amended, entitled "An act to designate the time and provide the manner of electing United States senators," being sections 1144, 1145, 1146 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Hinkley	Mr. Palmer	Mr. Stevens
Anderson	Hoffman	Penney	Stevenson
Ashley	Hopkins	Place	Sutton
Averill	Hulse	Pray	Symonds
Biggerstaff	Jerome, J. D.	Quintel	Tufts
Bosch	Jerome, W. F.	Read, Thos.	Van Antwerp
Chapin	Jones	Reed, C. J.	Vine
Croll	Keen	Rice	Ward
Culver	Koehler	Robertson	Warner
Daigneau	Leland	Rogers	Watkins
Daprato	Lewis	Root	Weissert
De Boer	McMillan	Ross	Wells
Edwards	Martin	Schmidt	Whiteley
Ewing	Martz	Sherman	Wieland
Foote	Matthews	Shields	Wiley
Ford, R. L.	Miller	Sly	Wolcott
Ford, Sheridan	Moore	Smith, F. A.	Wood
Francis	Nank	Smith, Newel	Woodruff
Gayde	Oakley	Smith, S. J.	Wright
Green	O'Brien	Snow	Speaker
Henry	Olmsted	Sours	

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

House bill No. 121 (file No. 33), entitled

A bill to amend section 16 of Act No. 281 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act relative to the nomination of party candidates for public offices and delegates to political conventions; to regulate primary elections and to prescribe penalties for violations of its provisions; and to provide for the printing upon election ballots of the names of candidates nominated under the terms of this act, and to repeal Act No. 4 of the Public Acts of the Extra Session of the year 1907, and all local primary election acts contravening the provisions of this act, except as in this act otherwise provided," approved June 2, 1909, as last amended by Act No. 118 of the Public Acts of 1913; relative to the nomination of candidates for United States senator.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Henry	Mr. Olmsted	Mr. Sours
Anderson	Hoffman	Palmer	Stevens
Ashley	Hopkins	Penney	Stevenson
Averill	Hulse	Place	Sutton
Biggerstaff	Jerome, W. F.	Pray	Symonds

Mr. Bosch	Mr. Jones	Mr. Quintel	Mr. Van Antwerp
Chapin	Keen	Reed, C. J.	Vine
Croll	Koehler	Rice	Warner
Culver	Leland	Robertson	Watkins
Daigneau	Lewis	Rogers	Weissert
Daprato	McMillan	Root	Wells
De Boer	Martin	Ross	Whiteley
Follett	Martz	Schmidt	Wieland
Foote	Matthews	Sherman	Wiley
Ford, R. L.	Miller	Shields	Wolcott
Ford, Sheridan	Moore	Sly	Wood
Francis	Nank	Smith, F. A.	Woodruff
Gayde	Nelson	Smith, Newel	Wright
Green	Oakley	Smith, S. J.	Speaker
Griggs			

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

House joint resolution No. 2 (file No. 34), entitled

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to article VIII of the Constitution of this State, by adding a new section thereto, to stand as section 15 of said article, authorizing drainage districts to issue bonds for drainage purposes.

Was read a third time and agreed to, two-thirds of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Griggs	Mr. O'Brien	Mr. Snow
Anderson	Henry	Olmsted	Sours
Ashley	Hinkley	Palmer	Stevens
Averill	Hoffman	Penney	Stevenson
Biggerstaff	Hopkins	Place	Sutton
Bosch	Hulse	Pray	Symonds
Chapin	Jerome, J. D.	Quintel	Tufts
Clark	Jerome, W. F.	Read, Thos.	Van Antwerp
Croll	Jones	Reed, C. J.	Vine
Culver	Keen	Rice	Ward
Daigneau	Koehler	Robertson	Warner
Daprato	Leland	Rogers	Watkins
De Boer	Lewis	Root	Weissert
Edwards	McMillan	Ross	Wells
Ewing	Martin	Schmidt	Whiteley
Follett	Martz	Sherman	Wieland
Ford, R. L.	Matthews	Shields	Wolcott
Ford, Sheridan	Miller	Sly	Wood
Francis	Moore	Smith, F. A.	Woodruff
Gayde	Nank	Smith, Newel	Wright
Green	Oakley	Smith, S. J.	Speaker

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The House agreed to the title of the joint resolution.

The following is the joint resolution:

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to article VIII of the Constitution of this State, by adding a new section thereto, to stand as section 15a of said article, authorizing drainage districts to issue bonds for drainage purposes.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Michigan, That the following amendment to the Constitution of the State of Michigan, authorizing any drainage district established under provision of law to issue bonds for drainage purposes, is hereby proposed, agreed to and submitted to the people of the State, that is to say, that a new section be added to article VIII, to stand as section 15a of said article, to read as follows:

[Sec. 15a. Any drainage district, established under provision of law, may issue bonds for drainage purposes within such district;] and be it further

Resolved, That the foregoing amendment be submitted to the people of this State at the election to be held on the first Monday in April, nineteen hundred fifteen. The Secretary of State is hereby required to certify the foregoing amendment to the clerks of the several counties of the State, as required by law. It shall be the duty of the board of election commissioners of each county to prepare a ballot for the use of the electors in voting upon said amendment, which ballot, after showing the amendment in full, shall be in substantially the following form:

“Vote on amendment to article VIII of the Constitution relative to permitting drainage districts to issue bonds:

Amendment to article VIII of the Constitution to permit drainage districts to issue bonds for drainage purposes. Yes []

Amendment to article VIII of the Constitution to permit drainage districts to issue bonds for drainage purposes. No []

It shall be the duty of the board of election commissioners of each county to deliver the ballots so prepared to the inspectors of election at the several voting precincts within their respective counties, within the time the ballots to be used at said election are required to be delivered to such inspectors under the general election law. All votes cast upon said amendment shall be counted, canvassed and returned in the same manner as is provided by law for counting, canvassing and returning the vote for State officers.

House bill No. 37 (file No. 36), entitled

A bill to provide for the preservation in the State Library of all reports, bulletins, pamphlets and other publications issued by any department of the State government.

Pending the third reading of the bill.

Mr. Biggerstaff moved that the bill be laid on the table.

The motion prevailed.

House bill No. 31 (file No. 37), entitled

A bill to repeal Act No. 87 of the Public Acts of 1907, entitled “An act to prohibit the spearing of fish in any of the public streams or rivers in certain townships of Van Buren county,” subject to a referendum to the electors of each township affected before this act becomes effective in such township.

Pending the third reading of the bill.

Mr. Lewis moved that the bill be taken from the order of third reading and be re-referred to the Committee on Fish and Fisheries.

The motion prevailed.

House bill No. 136 (file No. 35), entitled

A bill to amend Act No. 184 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to regulate the business of selling farm products on commission; providing all commission merchants dealing in farm products shall be licensed; to provide against and punish fraud and deception in the sale of farm products on commission; and defining the duties of the State Dairy and Food Commissioner relative thereto," by adding thereto a new section to be known as section 11.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Griggs	Mr. O'Brien	Mr. Snow
Anderson	Henry	Olmsted	Sours
Ashley	Hinkley	Palmer	Stevenson
Averill	Hoffman	Penney	Sutton
Biggerstaff	Hopkins	Place	Symonds
Bosch	Hulse	Pray	Tufts
Chapin	Jerome, Wm. F.	Quintel	Van Antwerp
Clark	Jones	Read, Thos.	Vine
Croll	Keen	Reed, C. J.	Ward
Culver	Koehler	Rice	Warner
Daigneau	Leland	Robertson	Watkins
Daprato	Lewis	Rogers	Weissert
De Boer	McMillan	Root	Wells
Edwards	Martin	Ross	Whiteley
Ewing	Martz	Schmidt	Wieland
Follett	Matthews	Sherman	Wiley
Ford, R. L.	Miller	Shields	Wolcott
Ford, Sheridan	Moore	Sly	Wood
Francis	Nank	Smith, F. A.	Woodruff
Gayde	Nelson	Smith, Newel	Wright
Green	Oakley	Smith, S. J.	Speaker

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

Mr. Gettel entered the House and took his seat.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Penney made written request for the printing of House bill No. 12, entitled

A bill making appropriations for the Michigan Employment Institution for the Blind for current expenses and for building and special purposes for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, and providing a tax therefor.

The request was referred to the Committee on Printing.

Mr. Anderson made written request for the printing of House bill No. 194, entitled

A bill to regulate livery stable keepers and persons carrying and

transporting passengers over the public highways of this State for hire, and to impose a specific tax upon the same for the benefit of the highway fund of this State, and to provide for the license of said persons in accordance therewith, and to punish violations thereof.

The request was referred to the Committee on Printing.

Mr. Penney made written request for the printing of House bill No. 195, entitled

A bill to provide for the payment of bounties for the killing of common rats.

The request was referred to the Committee on Printing.

Mr. Green made written request for the printing of House bill No. 161, entitled

A bill to amend the title and section 1 of Act 356 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to provide for establishment and maintenance in this State of a State House of Correction at or near the city of Bay City in the county of Bay; for the confinement of convicted persons therein; for the government and discipline thereof, and to make appropriations therefor, and to provide taxes to meet the same," and to add two new sections thereto to stand as sections 16 and 17 of said act.

The request was referred to the Committee on Printing.

Mr. Hulse made written request for the printing of House bill No. 48, entitled

A bill to prohibit the manufacture, sale, keeping for sale or giving away cigarettes, cigarette papers or wrappers or other substitutes therefor, and providing a penalty for the violation thereof.

The request was referred to the Committee on Printing.

Mr. Penney made written request for the printing of House bill No. 150, entitled

A bill to amend section 9 of Act No. 198 of the Laws of 1873, entitled "An act to revise the laws providing for the incorporation of the railroad, bridge and tunnel companies, and to regulate the running and management, and to fix the duties and liabilities of all railroad, bridge, tunnel and other corporations owning or operating any railroad, bridge, or tunnel within this State," as amended, said section being compiler's section 6234 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

The request was referred to the Committee on Printing.

Mr. Keen made written request for the printing of House bill No. 190, entitled

A bill to create and establish the office of county correction officer in counties of this State having a population of less than one hundred thousand; to authorize the appointment of a deputy for such officer in certain cases; to provide for the fixing of the compensation of such officer and deputy; to abolish the offices of county agent of the State Board of Corrections and Charities, county truant officer and probation officer, appointed under Act 105 of the Public Acts of 1913, and to vest the duties of said offices in the county correction officer; and to supersede all acts or parts of acts contravening the provisions hereof.

The request was referred to the Committee on Printing.

Messrs. Haviland and Kemmerling entered the House and took their seats.

GENERAL ORDERS OF THE DAY.

Mr. Nank moved that the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole on the general orders.

The motion prevailed.

The Speaker called Mr. Nank to the chair.

After a time spent in the consideration of bills upon the general orders, the committee rose, and, through its chairman, made a report recommending the passage, without amendment, of the following entitled bills:

House bill No. 96 (file No. 47), entitled

A bill to amend chapter 4 of Act No. 283 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to revise, consolidate and add to the laws relating to the establishment, opening, improvement, maintenance and use of the public highways and private roads; the condemnation of property and gravel therefor; the building, repairing and preservation of bridges; setting and protecting shade trees; drainage; cutting weeds and brush within this State, and providing for the election and defining the powers, duties and compensation of State, county, township and district highway officials," approved June 2, 1909, by adding thereto one new section to stand as section 6a; to provide for decreasing or increasing the membership of boards of county road commissioners in counties operating under the county road system.

House bill No. 198 (file No. 48), entitled

A bill to amend section 11 of Act 152 of the Public Acts of 1885, entitled "An act to authorize the establishment of a home for disabled soldiers, sailors and marines in the State of Michigan," as last amended by Act 2 of the Public Acts of 1907, Extra Session, and to add thereto two new sections to be known as sections 11a and 11b.

House bill No. 153 (file No. 49), entitled

A bill to amend section 14 of Act No. 190 of the Public Acts of 1891, entitled "An act to prescribe the manner of conducting and to prevent fraud and deception at elections in this State," being section 3625 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as last amended by Act No. 214 of the Public Acts of 1901.

House bill No. 19 (file No. 50), entitled

A bill to provide for the examination, regulation, licensing and registration of chiropractors; for the appointment of a State board of registration in chiropractic; for the punishment of offenders against this act and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in conflict herewith.

House bill No. 185 (file No. 52), entitled

A bill to repeal Act No. 125 of the Public Acts of 1899, entitled "An act to prohibit the taking or catching of fish by any means or device other than by hook and line in Crooked lake, Pickerel lake, Pickerel

channel or Crooked river in Emmet county," upon approval by the electors of said county of Emmet.

The bills were placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

The Committee of the Whole reported

House bill No. 113 (file No. 46), entitled

A bill to amend section 10 of chapter 3 of Act No. 283 of the Public Acts of 1911, entitled "An act to revise, consolidate and add to the laws relating to the establishment, opening, improvement, maintenance and use of the public highways and private roads; the condemnation of property and gravel therefor; the building, repairing and preservation of bridges; setting and protecting shade trees; drainage; cutting weeds and brush within this State, and providing for the election and defining the powers, duties and compensation of State, county, township and district highway officials," approved June 2, 1909, as last amended by Act No. 355 of the Public Acts of 1913; relative to number of signers to applications for submission of question of bond issue in good roads districts.

Recommending the adoption of the following amendment thereto, and the passage of the bill when so amended:

1. Amend by striking out of line 2 of section 1, the words "nineteen hundred eleven," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "nineteen hundred nine."

The question being on the adoption of the proposed amendment made by the committee,

The amendment was adopted and the bill was placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

The Committee of the Whole reported

House bill No. 140 (file No. 51), entitled

A bill to provide free hospital service and medical and surgical treatment for persons afflicted with a malady or deformity which can be benefited by hospital treatment who are unable to pay for such care and treatment, and for pregnant women unable to pay for such care and treatment and for the children of such pregnant women born during the period of hospital care, and providing for the expense thereof, and prescribing the jurisdiction of the probate court in said cases, and to repeal Act No. 274 of the Public Acts of 1913.

Recommending the adoption of the following amendments thereto, and that the bill as amended be re-referred to the Committee on Public Health.

1. Amend by striking out of line 11 of section 2, the words "the State" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "the county from which said person has been sent."

2. Amend by striking out section 6 and renumbering the two following sections as 6 and 7, instead of 7 and 8.

3. Amend by striking out of lines 12 and 13 of section 7, the words "the treasurer out of the general fund," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "the county treasurer out of the funds of said county."

The question being on the adoption of the proposed amendments made by the committee,

The amendments were adopted.

The question being on the further recommendation made by the committee that the bill be re-referred to the Committee on Public Health.

The recommendation was concurred in and the bill re-referred to the Committee on Public Health.

The Committee of the Whole reported

House bill No. 134 (file No. 53), entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 7 of Act No. 3 of the Public Acts of 1895, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation of villages within the State of Michigan, and defining their powers and duties," being section 2769 of the Compiled Laws of 1897; to empower villages to regulate, tax and license saloons.

Recommending the adoption of the following amendment thereto and the passage of the bill when so amended:

By inserting in line 13 of section 1 after the word "suppress," the word "or."

The question being on the adoption of the proposed amendment made by the committee,

The amendment was adopted and the bill was placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

Mr. Follett moved that the House adjourn.

The motion prevailed, the time being 4:43 o'clock p. m.

The Speaker declared the House adjourned until tomorrow at 2 o'clock p. m.

CHARLES S. PIERCE,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.

· THIRTY-SECOND DAY.

Lansing, Wednesday, February 24.

2 o'clock p. m.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

Religious exercises were conducted by Rev. E. J. Cross, of the First Baptist church, of Corunna.

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk, who announced that a quorum was present.

Messrs. Lamphere and Petermann were absent with leave.

Mr. Stevens was absent without leave.

Mr. Schmidt moved that Mr. Stevens be excused from today's session. The motion prevailed.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

Mr. Rice presented

Petition No. 503.

Petition of Albert G. Day and 22 other citizens of Newaygo, Newaygo county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Rice presented

Petition No. 504.

Petition of John F. Osborn and 33 other citizens of Grant, Newaygo county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Rice presented

Petition No. 505.

Petition of Boven & Co., and 18 other citizens of Reeman, Newaygo

county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Rice presented

Petition No. 506.

Petition of A. Q. Adams and 19 other citizens of White Cloud, Newaygo county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Rice presented

Petition No. 507.

Petition of E. L. Boyd and 9 other citizens of Fremont, Newaygo county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Wieland presented

Petition No. 508.

Petition of Louis M. Carleton and 36 other citizens of Orion, Oakland county, requesting the passage of a deer hunting law providing for the hunting of deer in the month of November only, and the issuing of a hunter's license good for 20 days of said month; the killing of but one deer of either sex, and the use of any kind of a gun by hunters.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Wieland presented

Petition No. 509.

Protest of Minnie A. Wodell and 7 others, against the passage of House bill No. 139, entitled "A bill to co-ordinate the health service of the State."

The protest was referred to the Committee on Public Health.

Mr. Sheridan Ford presented

Petition No. 510.

Petition of L. Greske and 90 other citizens of Detroit, Wayne county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Sheridan Ford presented

Petition No. 511.

Petition of Evangeline MacMahow and 20 other teachers of Duffield, Genesee county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 64, relative to a retirement fund for teachers.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Van Antwerp presented

Petition No. 512.

Petition of A. F. Nelson and 5 other citizens of Moseley, Kent county,

in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Van Antwerp presented
Petition No. 513.

Petition of H. W. Scball and 127 other citizens of the State, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Griggs presented
Petition No. 514.

Petition of Bert Meyers and 275 other citizens of Oakland county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Rogers presented
Petition No. 515.

Petition of E. W. Thayer and 332 other citizens of Muskegon county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Daigneau presented
Petition No. 516.

Resolutions adopted by the Friday Club of Watervliet, Berrien county, favoring the construction of a fireproof addition to, or separate building from the present Capitol building.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on State Capitol and Public Buildings.

Mr. Weissert presented
Petition No. 517.

Petition of J. W. Howard and 5 other citizens of Morgan, Barry county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Weissert presented
Petition No. 518.

Petition of Chas. A. Houghtatin and 6 other citizens of Quimby, Barry county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Woodruff presented
Petition No. 519.

Petition of W. S. Coleman and 5 other citizens of Grosse Isle, Wayne county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Woodruff presented
Petition No. 520.

Petition of F. E. Hearsey and 4 other citizens of Trenton, Wayne county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Woodruff presented
Petition No. 521.

Petition of C. Streicher and 12 other citizens of Wyandotte, Wayne county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Griggs presented
Petition No. 522.

Petition of Geo. F. Goodell and 15 other citizens of Novi, Oakland county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Miller presented
Petition No. 523.

Petition of R. N. Vasbinder and 12 other citizens of Pierson, Montcalm county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Wolcott presented
Petition No. 524.

Petition of C. M. Taylor and 46 other citizens of Battle Creek, Calhoun county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Moore presented
Petition No. 525.

Resolutions adopted by Macon Grange No. 167, of Macon, Lenawee county, favoring an increased mill tax for the Michigan Agriculture College.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on Agricultural College.

Mr. Snow presented
Petition No. 526.

Resolutions adopted by Brady Grange No. 61, of Kalamazoo county, protesting against the passage of Senate bill No. 64, relative to a retirement fund for teachers.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Snow presented
Petition No. 527.

Petition of Brady Grange No. 61, of Kalamazoo county, endorsing pro-

posed changes to the game laws recommended by the Kalamazoo County Grange Convention.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Snow presented

Petition No. 528.

Petition of A. Rinehart and 10 other citizens of Kalamazoo, Kalamazoo county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Gettel presented

Petition No. 529.

Petition of Henry R. Moreton and 33 other citizens of Sebwaing, Huron county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Gettel presented

Petition No. 530.

Petition of G. S. Whitney and 35 other citizens of Bad Axe, Huron county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Gettel presented

Petition No. 531.

Petition of Clark J. Bisher and 10 other citizens of Port Hope, Huron county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Gettel presented

Petition No. 532.

Petition of Geo. L. Ruth and 9 other citizens of Bay Port, Huron county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Gettel presented

Petition No. 533.

Petition of M. Meyers and 193 other citizens of Huron county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Wieland presented

Petition No. 534.

Petition of A. D. DeWitt and 30 other citizens of Oxford, Oakland county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 64, relative to a retirement fund for teachers.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Hinkley presented
Petition No. 535.

Petition of Arthur J. Jenkins and 32 other citizens of Emmet county, in favor of the present deer hunting law.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Miller presented
Petition No. 536.

Petition of the Ranney Refrigerator Co. and 20 other citizens of Greenville, Montcalm county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Koehler presented
Petition No. 537.

Petition of G. Boyer and 28 other citizens of Detroit, Wayne county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Kooyers presented
Petition No. 538.

Petition of C. Mast and 16 other citizens of West Olive, Ottawa county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Kooyers presented
Petition No. 539.

Petition of Geo. Crossett and 162 other citizens of Shiawassee and Ottawa counties, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Culver presented
Petition No. 540.

Petition of Thos. Johnson and 90 other citizens of Detroit, Wayne county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Haviland presented
Petition No. 541.

Petition of R. G. McLaughlin and 84 other citizens of Yale, St. Clair county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Haviland presented
Petition No. 542.

Petition of Nab G. Moore and 11 other citizens of Jeddo, St. Clair

county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Haviland presented

Petition No. 543.

Petition of Geo. B. Argo and 213 other citizens of Capac, St. Clair county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. William F. Jerome presented

Petition No. 544.

Petition of Fred Trasey and 4 other citizens of Allen, Hillsdale county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Sherman presented

Petition No. 545.

Petition of C. W. Baker and 6 other citizens of Wahjamega, Tuscola county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Sherman presented

Petition No. 546.

Petition of Elmer S. Whit and 9 other citizens of Kalkaska, Kalkaska county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Labor, by Mr. Oakley, Chairman, reported
House bill No. 216, entitled

A bill to provide for the inspection of certain steam boilers by the Commissioner of Labor, fixing the powers and duties of the Commissioner of Labor with respect thereto, prohibiting the use and operation of such boilers as are found to be dangerous or unsafe for use, and to provide a penalty for the violation of this act.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Education, by Mr. Symonds, Chairman, reported
Senate bill No. 48 (file No. 61), entitled

A bill to require plans for all school buildings and for additions to school buildings, the cost of which shall exceed three hundred dollars, to be approved by the Superintendent of Public Instruction and the Sec-

retary of the State Board of Health, and to authorize the condemnation of school houses under certain conditions.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Education, by Mr. Symonds, Chairman, reported House bill No. 89 (file No. 41), entitled

A bill to amend section 25 of chapter 3 of Act No. 164 of the Public Acts of 1881, entitled "An act to revise and consolidate the laws relating to public instruction and primary schools, and to repeal all statutes and acts contravening the provisions of this act," being section 4691 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as last amended by Act No. 218 of the Public Acts of 1911.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Supplies and Expenditures, by Mr. Amon, Chairman, reported the following accounts, with itemized bills attached, and recommended that vouchers be drawn in payment thereof:

Allen & DeKleine Company	\$4 00
H. H. Larned	3 60
Michigan State Telephone Co.....	1 90
Chas. M. Norton	1 05
Frank W. Preussel, Mt. Clemens.....	150 00
C. S. Pierce	78
Postal Telegraph-Cable Co.....	41
Robinson Drug Co.....	3 70
Frank Shepard Co., New York.....	5 00
Simons Dry Goods Co.....	2 30
L. C. Smith & Bros.....	2 00
J. Stahl & Son.....	43 90
Schelto Swart	5 00
E. W. Green	6 58

\$230 22

The report was accepted, the accounts allowed, and the bills ordered paid.

The Committee on Game Laws, by Mr. Kemmerling, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 195, entitled

A bill to provide for the payment of bounties for the killing of common rats.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Game Laws, by Mr. Kemmerling, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 149, entitled

A bill to amend section 17 of Act 275 of the Public Acts of 1911, entitled "An act to provide for the protection of game and birds; to regulate the taking, possession, use and transportation of the same; to prohibit the sale thereof; to regulate the manner of hunting, pursuing and killing game or birds; to provide a penalty for the violation of any of the provisions of this act, and to repeal inconsistent acts and parts of acts," as amended by Act 167 of the Public Acts of 1913.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Michigan Agricultural College, by Mr. Pray, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 201, entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the Michigan Agricultural College for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1916, to meet a deficiency in the current expense or aid fund for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1914, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The Committee on Fish and Fisheries, by Mr. McMillan, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 173, entitled

A bill to repeal Act No. 334 of the Session Laws of 1869, entitled "An act for the protection of fish in the lakes known as Devil's Lake and Round Lake in Lenawee county; Whitmore Lake, Washtenaw county, and Brace Lake, Calhoun county," as amended by Act No. 169 of the Local Acts of 1889.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Fish and Fisheries, by Mr. McMillan, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 44, entitled

A bill to regulate and license the fishing with any kind of apparatus for the purpose of taking clams, mollusks or pearls in any of the inland waters of this State by non-residents.

With a substitute therefor, entitled

A bill to regulate and license the fishing with any kind of apparatus for the purpose of taking clams, mollusks or pearls in any of the inland waters of this State, and to provide an open and closed season for taking same.

Recommending that the substitute be concurred in and that the bill as substituted pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the proposed substitute recommended by the committee,

The substitute was adopted.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Printing, by Mr. VanAntwerp, Chairman, reported

The written request of Mr. Palmer for the printing of

House bill No. 116, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1, 21, 23 and 32 of Act No. 190 of the Public Acts of 1891, approved July 3, 1891, entitled "An act to prescribe the manner of conducting and to prevent fraud and deceptions at elections in this State," such amended sections being sections 3612, 3631, 3633 and 3642 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by Act No. 214, Public Acts of 1901; Act No. 189, Public Acts of 1907; Act No. 192, Public Acts of 1909; Acts Nos. 60 and 158, Public Acts of 1911; Act No. 8, Public Acts of 1912, and Acts No. 54, No. 218 and No. 375, Public Acts of 1913; and to add three new sections to stand as section 49, section 50 and section 51 of said act.

With the recommendation that the request be granted.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the recommendation of the committee,

The recommendation was concurred in and the bill ordered printed.

The Committee on Printing, by Mr. VanAntwerp, Chairman, reported

The written request of Mr. Person for the printing of

House bill No. 201, entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the Michigan Agricultural College for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1916, to meet the deficiency in the current expense or aid fund for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1914, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

With the recommendation that the request be granted.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the recommendation of the committee,

The recommendation was concurred in, and the bill ordered printed.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Penney introduced

House bill No. 237, entitled

A bill to prevent the killing or taking of perch in any of the waters within the jurisdiction of this State by any device or means otherwise than with hook and line or rod held in hand, during the month of April in each year, and to provide a penalty for the violation thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Fish and Fisheries.

Mr. Evens introduced

House bill No. 238, entitled

A bill to amend sections 3 and 4 of Act No. 143 of the Public Acts of 1903, entitled "An act to provide for the government, management and control of the State Public School at Coldwater, and to repeal all acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Public School.

Mr. Hulse introduced

House bill No. 239, entitled

A bill to amend chapter 6 of Act No. 283 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to revise, consolidate and add to the laws relating to the establishment, opening, improvement, maintenance and use of the public highways and private roads; the condemnation of property and gravel therefor; the building, repairing and preservation of bridges; setting and protecting shade trees; drainage; cutting weeds and brush within this State, and providing for the election and defining the powers, duties and compensation of State, county, township and district highway officials." by adding thereto a new section to stand as section 5-a.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Roads and Bridges.

Mr. Haviland introduced

House bill No. 240, entitled

A bill to amend division 1 of section 2 of Act 334 of the Public Acts of Michigan for the year 1913, entitled "An act to provide for the establishment, survey, improvement and maintenance of State reward trunk line highways, to provide for the payment of double State reward thereon, to define the duties of State, county, good roads district and township officers in regard thereto, and to appropriate funds to carry out the provisions thereof."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Roads and Bridges.

Mr. Wolcott introduced

House bill No. 241, entitled

A bill to repeal Act No. 266 of the Public Acts of 1907, entitled "An act to provide for the payment of bounties for the killing of English sparrows."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Lewis introduced

House bill No. 242, entitled

A bill to permit the spearing of fish in any of the public streams or rivers in certain townships of Van Buren county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Fish and Fisheries.

Mr. Keen introduced

House bill No. 243, entitled

A bill to provide for the issuance of combination hunting and fishing

licenses, for the hunting of wild animals or wild birds, and the taking of fish, protected by the laws of this State, except beaver and other fur-bearing animals, and to repeal all acts or parts of acts in conflict herewith.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Kooyers introduced

House bill No. 244, entitled

A bill providing a board to censor motion picture films and prescribing the duties and powers of the same.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Labor.

Mr. Follett introduced

House bill No. 245, entitled

A bill to regulate the receiving of gifts and gratuities by employes of agricultural societies and others.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Mr. Anderson introduced

House bill No. 246, entitled

A bill to prohibit the taking or catching of fish through the ice, in any manner whatsoever, in the waters of Long Lake, in Lake township, Benzie county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Fish and Fisheries.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 113 (file No. 46), entitled

A bill to amend section 10 of chapter 3 of Act No. 283 of the Public Acts of 1911, entitled "An act to revise, consolidate and add to the laws relating to the establishment, opening, improvement, maintenance and use of the public highways and private roads; the condemnation of property and gravel therefor; the building, repairing and preservation of bridges; setting and protecting shade trees; drainage; cutting weeds and brush within this State, and providing for the election and defining the powers, duties and compensation of State, county, township and district highway officials," approved June 2, 1909, as last amended by Act No. 355 of the Public Acts of 1913; relative to number of signers to applications for submission of question of bond issue in good roads districts.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Gettel	Mr. Nelson	Mr. Smith, Newel
Anderson	Green	Oakley	Smith, S. J.
Ashley	Griggs	O'Brien	Snow
Averill	Henry	Olmsted	Sours
Biggerstaff	Hinkley	Ormsbee	Stevenson
Bosch	Hoffman	Palmer	Sutton
Chapin	Hopkins	Penney	Symonds
Clark	Hulse	Person	Tufts
Cowan	Jerome, J. D.	Place	Van Antwerp
Croll	Jerome, W. F.	Pray	Vine
Culver	Jones	Quintel	Ward
Daigneau	Keen	Read, Thos.	Warner
Daprato	Kemmerling	Reed, C. J.	Watkins
De Boer	Koehler	Rice	Weissert
Edwards	Kooyers	Robertson	Wells
Empson	Leland	Rogers	Whiteley
Evens	Lewis	Root	Wieland
Ewing	McMillan	Ross	Wiley
Flowers	Martin	Schmidt	Wolcott
Foote	Matthews	Sherman	Wood
Ford, R. L.	Miller	Shields	Woodruff
Ford, Sheridan	Moore	Sly	Wright
Francis	Nank	Smith, F. A.	Speaker
Gayde			

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The question being on agreeing to the title of the bill,

Mr. Olmsted moved to amend the title so as to read as follows:

A bill to amend section 10 of chapter 3 of Act No. 283 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to revise, consolidate and add to the laws relating to the establishment, opening, improvement, maintenance and use of the public highways and private roads, the condemnation of property and gravel therefor; the building, repairing and preservation of bridges, setting and protecting shade trees; drainage; cutting weeds and brush within this State, and providing for the election and defining the powers, duties and compensation of State, county, township and district highway officials," approved June 2, 1909, as last amended by Act No. 355 of the Public Acts of 1913; relative to number of signers to applications for submission of question of bond issue in good roads districts.

The House agreed to the title as amended.

House bill No. 96 (file No. 47), entitled

A bill to amend chapter 4 of Act No. 283 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to revise, consolidate and add to the laws relating to the establishment, opening, improvement, maintenance and use of the public highways and private roads; the condemnation of property and gravel therefor; the building, repairing and preservation of bridges; setting and protecting shade trees; drainage; cutting weeds and brush within this State, and providing for the election and defining the powers, duties and compensation of State, county, township and district highway officials," approved June 2, 1909, by adding thereto one new section to stand as section 6a; to provide for decreasing or increasing the membership of boards of county road commissioners in counties operating under the county road system.

Was read a third time and, the question being on its passage,
Mr. Croll moved to amend the bill

1. By striking out of line 16 of section 6a the words "as follows," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "in substantially the following form."

The motion prevailed and the amendment was adopted, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor.

The question being on the passage of the bill,

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Gayde	Mr. Nank	Mr. Smith, F. A.
Anderson	Gettel	Nelson	Smith, Newel
Ashley	Green	Oakley	Smith, S. J.
Averill	Griggs	O'Brien	Snow
Biggerstaff	Haviland	Olmsted	Sours
Bosch	Henry	Ormsbee	Stevenson
Chapin	Hinkley	Palmer	Sutton
Clark	Hoffman	Penney	Symonds
Cowan	Hopkins	Person	Tufts
Croll	Hulse	Place	Van Antwerp
Culver	Jerome, J. D.	Pray	Vine
Daigneau	Jerome, W. F.	Quintel	Ward
Daprato	Jones	Read, Thos.	Warner
De Boer	Keen	Reed, C. J.	Watkins
Edwards	Kemmerling	Rice	Weissert
Empson	Koehler	Robertson	Wells
Evans	Kooyers	Rogers	Whiteley
Ewing	Leland	Root	Wieland
Flowers	Lewis	Ross	Wiley
Follett	McMillan	Schmidt	Wolcott
Ford, R. L.	Martin	Sherman	Woodruff
Ford, Sheridan	Miller	Shields	Wright
Francis	Moore	Sly	Speaker

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Palmer offered the following resolution:

House resolution No. 34.

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Insurance be, and he hereby is, respectfully requested to furnish to this House, at his earliest convenience, information upon the following questions:

First—How many fire insurance companies have, during the last five years, withdrawn from doing business in the State of Michigan?

Second—How many fire insurance companies have been admitted to do business within this State during the last five years?

Third—The number of fire insurance companies, if any, who have re-insured their total risks in this State during the last five years?

Fourth—How many fire insurance companies heretofore having been admitted to do business in this State, have ceased to exist?

Fifth—Total amount of premiums paid to all companies for fire insurance during the years 1909, 1910, 1911, 1912, 1913 and 1914.

The resolution was adopted.

Mr. Vine made written request for the printing of House bill No. 165, entitled

A bill to amend section 7 of Act No. 211 of the Public Acts of 1893, as amended by Act No. 245 of the Public Acts of 1895, and as further amended by Act No. 268 of the Public Acts of 1899, and as further amended by Act No. 230 of the Public Acts of 1903, being entitled "An act to provide for the appointment of a Dairy and Food Commissioner, and to define his powers and duties and fix his compensation," being compiler's section No. 4979 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

The request was referred to the Committee on Printing.

Mr. Flowers moved that

House bill No. 108 (file No. 27), entitled

A bill to create a commission to investigate the causes and effects of commercialized prostitution, and to recommend to the Legislature and to the public ways and means of combating this vice and its attendant evils, to the end that the health and morals of the people of the State shall be conserved and protected.

Be taken from the order of General Orders and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The motion prevailed.

SPECIAL ORDERS.

2:30 o'clock p. m.

The Speaker announced that the hour had arrived for the special order and laid before the House

House bill No. 30 (file No. 17), entitled

A bill to define what shall constitute partnerships; the relation of partners to persons dealing with the partnership; the relation of partners to one another; to provide for the dissolution and winding up of partnerships; and to make uniform the law relating thereto.

Mr. Flowers moved that the bill be taken from the order of Special Orders and re-referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

The motion prevailed.

GENERAL ORDERS OF THE DAY.

Mr. Follett moved that the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole on the general orders.

The motion prevailed.

The Speaker called Mr. Follett to the chair.

After a time spent in the consideration of the bill upon the general orders, the committee rose, and, through its chairman, reported

House bill No. 5 (file No. 7), entitled

A bill to provide for the incorporation of cremation companies and associations.

Recommending the adoption of the following amendments thereto, and the passage of the bill when so amended:

1. Amend by inserting in line 3 of section 5 after the word "thereon" the words "used for such purposes."

2. Amend by inserting in line 4 of section 5 after the word "whatever" the words "except special assessments for public improvements."

3. Amend by striking out section 7 and renumbering sections 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14 as sections 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 and 13.

4. Amend by striking out the word "bill" wherever it occurs in the body of the bill and inserting in lieu thereof the word "act."

The question being on the adoption of the proposed amendments made by the committee,

The amendments were adopted and the bill was placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

By unanimous consent.

Mr. Palmer moved that

House bill No. 153 (file No. 49), entitled

A bill to amend section 14 of Act No. 190 of the Public Acts of 1891, entitled "An act to prescribe the manner of conducting and to prevent fraud and deceptions at elections in this State," being section 3625 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as last amended by Act No. 214 of the Public Acts of 1901.

Be taken from the order of Third Reading of Bills and re-referred to the Committee on Elections.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Palmer moved to reconsider the vote by which

House bill No. 122 (file No. 31), entitled

A bill to amend section 4 of Act No. 257 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to regulate the construction and operation of moving picture shows and theatres showing moving pictures in which celluloid films are used; to provide for an inspection fee for operating the same, and to place supervision of such shows and theatres under the department of the State Fire Marshal," approved May 7, 1913, to permit the holding of moving picture exhibitions above the first or main floor in fire proof buildings.

Failed to pass the House yesterday.

The motion did not prevail, by a rising vote—yeas 38, nays 40.

Mr. Henry moved that the House adjourn.

The motion prevailed, the time being 3:30 o'clock p. m.

The Speaker declared the House adjourned until tomorrow at 2:00 o'clock p. m.

CHARLES S. PIERCE,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.

THIRTY-THIRD DAY.

Lansing, Thursday, February 25.

2:00 o'clock p. m.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

Religious exercises were conducted by Rev. Horace Cady Wilson, of the First Presbyterian church, of Lansing.

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk, who announced that a quorum was present.

Messrs. Lamphere and Petermann were absent with leave.

Messrs. Sheridan Ford and Martz were absent without leave.

Mr. Jones moved that Mr. Martz be excused from today's session. The motion prevailed.

Mr. Culver moved that Mr. Sheridan Ford be excused from today's and tomorrow's session.

The motion prevailed.

Messrs. Stevens, Clarence J. Reed and William F. Jerome asked and obtained leaves of absence from tomorrow's session.

Messrs. Whiteley and Sly asked and obtained leaves of absence from tomorrow's and Monday's sessions.

Mr. Thomas Read asked and obtained a leave of absence from Monday's session.

Mr. Haviland asked and obtained an indefinite leave of absence after today.

Mr. Tufts asked and obtained an indefinite leave of absence after tomorrow's session.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

Mr. Haviland presented
Petition No. 547.

Petition of Louis A. Weil and 12 other citizens of Port Huron, St. Clair county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Sly presented
Petition No. 548.

Petition of Jas. R. Holmes and 262 other citizens of St. Ignace, Mackinac county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Sly presented
Petition No. 549.

Petition of A. R. Dow and 102 other citizens of Munising, Alger county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the Upper Peninsula.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Sly presented
Petition No. 550.

Petition of A. C. Davidson and 10 other citizens of McMillan, Luce county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the Upper Peninsula.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Sly presented
Petition No. 551.

Petition of A. Sievers and 5 other citizens of Au Train, Alger county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the Upper Peninsula.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. William F. Jerome presented
Petition No. 552.

Petition of Jay Young and 56 other citizens of Hillsdale county, favoring the passage of a bill providing for a closed season for catching blue gill.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Fish and Fisheries.

Mr. McMillan presented
Petition No. 553.

Petition of A. C. Davidson and 10 other citizens of McMillan, Luce county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Wieland presented
Petition No. 554.

Petition of O. A. Parks and 34 other citizens of Birmingham, Oakland

county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Wieland presented

Petition No. 555.

Petition of C. Ballard and 40 other citizens of Davisburg, Oakland county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Wieland presented

Petition No. 556.

Petition of W. E. Howland and 18 other citizens of Waterford, Oakland county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Wieland presented

Petition No. 557.

Petition of B. T. Beardslee and 67 other citizens of Clarkston, Oakland county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Wieland presented

Petition No. 558.

Petition of Rev. A. M. Taylor and 36 other citizens of Leonard, Oakland county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Wieland presented

Petition No. 559.

Petition of J. W. Stevenson and 51 other citizens of Holly, Oakland county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Oakley presented

Petition No. 560.

Petition of Jas. F. Briman and 31 other citizens of Bay City, Bay county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Martin presented

Petition No. 561.

Petition of J. C. Calkins and 23 other citizens of the city of Owosso, Shiawassee county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Martin presented
Petition No. 562.

Petition of W. R. Dian and 70 other citizens of Shiawassee county, requesting the passage of a bill limiting the killing of deer to one of either sex.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Biggerstaff presented
Petition No. 563.

Resolutions adopted by the Ladies' Library Association of Schoolcraft, Kalamazoo county, favoring the construction of a fireproof addition to, or separate building from the present Capitol building.

The petition was referred to the Committee on State Capitol and Public Buildings.

Mr. Gayde presented
Petition No. 564.

Petition of Chas. F. Navin and 23 other citizens of Detroit, Wayne county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Sherman presented
Petition No. 565.

Petition of G. N. Armes and 8 other citizens of Vassar, Tuscola county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Anderson presented
Petition No. 566.

Petition of Robert Anderson and 5 other citizens of Thompsonville, Benzie county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Stevenson presented
Petition No. 567.

Petition of Alex. Smith and 20 other citizens of Detroit, Wayne county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Whiteley presented
Petition No. 568.

Petition of Stanley Kwopis and 12 other citizens of Gaylord, Otsego county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Culver presented
Petition No. 569.

Petition of J. Mackie and 19 other citizens of Detroit, Wayne county,

in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Symonds presented
Petition No. 570.

Resolutions adopted by K. A. Shemick and 14 other citizens of Wallace, Menominee county, favoring an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State if actually needed; and making passenger fares uniform in the Upper and Lower Peninsula.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on Railroads.

The Speaker presented
Petition No. 571.

Petition of C. D. Chapin and 33 other citizens of Lapeer county, in favor of the present deer hunting law.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Sly presented
Petition No. 572.

Resolutions adopted by Thompson Grange No. 1362 of Thompson, Schoolcraft county, protesting against any change in the passenger rates charged by the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Flowers presented
Petition No. 573.

Petition of Benjamin Krel and 129 other citizens of Detroit, Wayne county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Wolcott presented
Petition No. 574.

Petition of M. Williams and 5 other citizens of Battle Creek, Calhoun county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Root presented
Petition No. 575.

Petition of E. L. Gray and 28 other citizens of Plainwell, Allegan county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Wood presented
Petition No. 576.

Petition of Fred Greene and 10 other citizens of Jackson, Jackson county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Shields presented

Petition No. 577.

Petition of W. S. Lester and 149 other citizens of Houghton county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the Upper Peninsula.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Lewis presented

Petition No. 578.

Protest of Fred Stephenson and 29 other citizens of Van Buren county, against the passage of House bill No. 139, entitled "A bill to co-ordinate the health service of the State."

The protest was referred to the Committee on Public Health.

Mr. McMillan presented

Petition No. 579.

Petition of W. L. French and 118 other citizens of East Jordan, Charlevoix county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. McMillan presented

Petition No. 580.

Petition of Thos. Crawford and 5 other citizens of Deward, Crawford county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Kemmerling presented

Petition No. 581.

Petition of L. M. Bower and 7 other citizens of Petersburg, Monroe county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Weissert presented

Petition No. 582.

Petition of Geo. W. Gribbin and 25 other citizens of Nashville, Barry county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Weissert presented

Petition No. 583.

Petition of J. W. Armstrong and 12 other citizens of Middleville, Barry county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Weissert presented

Petition No. 584.

Petition of C. W. Field and 21 other citizens of Hastings, Barry

county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Clark presented

Petition No. 585.

Petition of W. G. Hartley and 55 other citizens of the State, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY CLERK OF PRINTING OF BILLS.

The Clerk announced that the following named bills had been printed and placed upon the files of the members Wednesday, February 24:

Senate bill No. 141 (file No. 122), entitled

A bill to provide for the selection from the circuit judges of the State of one of their number to act as presiding circuit judge.

Senate bill No. 163 (file No. 123), entitled

A bill to amend section 35 of Act No. 285 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to provide for the creation of a Department of Labor; to prescribe its powers and duties; to regulate the employment of labor; and to make an appropriation for the maintenance of such department, and to prescribe penalties for the violation of this act," as last amended by Act No. 191 of the Public Acts of 1911.

The Clerk announced that the following named bills had been printed and placed upon the files of the members Thursday, February 25:

Senate bill No. 174 (file No. 124), entitled

A bill to provide for the transfer of the powers and duties of the State Game, Fish and Forestry Warden to the Public Domain Commission, and to define the powers and duties of the Public Domain Commission in relation thereto, and to make an appropriation therefor, and to repeal all acts or parts of acts which conflict therewith.

Senate bill No. 177 (file No. 125), entitled

A bill to amend section 95 of chapter 16 of the Revised Statutes of 1846, entitled "Of the powers and duties of townships and the election and duties of township officers," as amended last by Act No. 260 of the Public Acts of 1911.

House bill No. 189 (file No. 54), entitled

A bill to amend sections 1, 3, 16, 20, 25, 28 and 38 and to repeal sections 18, 21, 42 and all other sections and parts of sections conflicting with the provisions of this act, of Act No. 281 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act relative to the nomination of party candidates for public office and delegates to political conventions; to regulate primary elections and to prescribe penalties for violations of its provisions; and to provide for the printing upon election ballots of the names of candidates nominated under the terms of this act; and to repeal Act No. 4 of the Public Acts of the Extra Session of the year 1907, and all local primary election acts contravening the provisions of this act, except as in this act otherwise provided," approved June 2, 1909, as amended by Act No. 279 of the Public Acts of 1911, and as further amended by Act No. 118 of the Public Acts of 1913.

The Clerk announced the enrollment printing and the presentation to the Governor on February 25th, for his approval, of the following named bill:

House bill No. 7 (file No. 2, enrolled No. 1), entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of Act No. 49, of the Public Acts of 1885, entitled "An act for the relief of purchasers and settlers on swamp land, and to repeal Act No. 166, Session Laws of 1855, and Act No. 173, Session Laws of 1867, the same being sections 5386 and 5387, Howell's Annotated Statutes," now section 1494, of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on State Affairs, by Mr. James D. Jerome, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 76, entitled

A bill to fix the salary of the chief clerk and assistant chief clerk in the auditor general's department.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The Committee on Roads and Bridges, by Mr. Daprato, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 47, entitled

A bill for the improvement of a certain portion of the highway known as the "Fort Gratiot Turnpike" located in the township of Columbus in the county of St. Clair, and making appropriation therefor.

Without recommendation.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

Mr. Haviland moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The motion prevailed.

The Committee on Psychopathic Hospital, by Mr. Olmsted, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 133, entitled

A bill to amend section 28 and section 29 of Act No. 278 of the Public Acts of 1907, entitled "An act to organize a State Psychopathic Hospital, to provide for the management thereof and making an appropriation therefor, and to repeal Act 161 of the Public Acts of 1901, and Act 140 of the Public Acts of 1905."

With the following amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in and that when so amended the bill pass:

1. Amend by striking out of lines 2 and 3 of section 28, the words "fifteen thousand dollars" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "thirteen thousand five hundred dollars."

2. Amend by striking out of line 3 of section 29, the words "fifteen thousand dollars," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "thirteen thousand five hundred dollars."

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the amendments to the bill recommended by the committee,

The amendments were adopted.

The bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The Committee on University of Michigan, by Mr. Nank, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 90, entitled

A bill making an appropriation for a new library building and for a model school for the University of Michigan; for the erection, construction and furnishing of the same, and to provide a tax for such purposes.

With a substitute therefor, entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the construction of a new library building for the University of Michigan, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

Recommending that the substitute be concurred in and that the bill as substituted pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the proposed substitute recommended by the committee.

The substitute was adopted.

The bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The Committee on Military Affairs, by Mr. Culver, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 135, entitled

A bill to amend Act No. 7 of the Public Acts, Second Special Session of 1912, entitled "An act to provide for the erection of armories and making an appropriation therefor," by adding a section thereto to stand as section 4.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The Committee on Elections, by Mr. Palmer, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 211, entitled

A bill to amend section 17 of chapter 2 of Act 164 of the Public Acts of 1881, entitled "An act to revise and consolidate the laws relating to public instruction and primary schools, and to repeal all acts or parts of acts contravening the provisions of this act," being compiler's section 4662 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by Act No. 83 of the Public Acts of 1909, and as last amended by Act 146 of the Public Acts of 1913.

With a substitute therefor, having the same title.

Recommending that the substitute be concurred in and that the bill as substituted pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the proposed substitute recommended by the committee,

The substitute was adopted.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Elections, by Mr. Palmer, Chairman, reported
House bill No. 210, entitled

A bill to provide for a board of education for cities having a population of two hundred fifty thousand or over and comprising a single school district; to fix their terms of office, and the manner of the nomination and election of the members thereof.

With a substitute therefor, having the same title.

Recommending that the substitute be concurred in and the bill as substituted pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the proposed substitute recommended by the committee,

The substitute was adopted.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Printing, by Mr. VanAntwerp, Chairman, reported
The written request of Mr. Green for the printing of
House bill No. 161, entitled

A bill to amend the title and section 1 of Act 356 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to provide for establishment and maintenance in this State of a State House of Correction at or near the city of Bay City in the county of Bay; for the confinement of convicted persons therein; for the government and discipline thereof, and to make appropriations therefor, and to provide taxes to meet the same," and to add two new sections thereto to stand as sections 16 and 17 of said act.

With the recommendation that the request be granted.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the recommendation of the committee,

The recommendation was concurred in, and the bill ordered printed.

The Committee on Printing, by Mr. VanAntwerp, Chairman, reported
The written request of Mr. Person for the printing of
House bill No. 174, entitled

A bill concerning and regulating public utilities; creating a public service commission; abolishing the Railroad Commission of Michigan and conferring the powers of the Railroad Commission on the public service commission, and prescribing penalties for the violation hereof.

With the recommendation that the request be granted.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the recommendation of the committee,

The recommendation was concurred in, and the bill ordered printed.

The committee on Printing, by Mr. VanAntwerp, Chairman, reported
The written request of Mr. Hulse for the printing of
House bill No. 48, entitled

A bill to prohibit the manufacture, sale, keeping for sale or giving away cigarettes, cigarette papers or wrappers or other substitutes therefor, and providing a penalty for the violation thereof.

With the recommendation that the request be granted.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the recommendation of the committee,

The recommendation was concurred in, and the bill ordered printed.

The Committee on Agriculture, by Mr. Schmidt, Chairman, reported House bill No. 114, entitled

A bill to authorize the board of supervisors of each county to receive, appropriate and raise money by tax for the purpose of encouraging and improving agriculture within the county by co-operating with the Michigan Agricultural College or the United States Department of Agriculture in employing a county agricultural agent.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Agriculture, by Mr. Schmidt, Chairman, reported House bill No. 98, entitled

A bill to prevent unlawful discrimination in the purchase for resale or manufacture of wheat, oats, corn, rye, barley, clover seed, beans, hay or potatoes, and to provide a punishment for the same.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM STATE OFFICERS.

The following communication from the Governor was received and read:

State of Michigan, Executive Office,
Lansing, February 24, 1915.

The Hon. Speaker of the House of Representatives, State Capitol, Lansing:

Sir—In accordance with the provisions of Act No. 286 of the Public Acts of 1913, I am transmitting to you for introduction in the House of Representatives, copies of two bills prepared by the members of the commission designated in above act:

1. A bill to be known as "The domestic relations act of 1915."
2. A bill to provide for the support and maintenance of illegitimate children.

Yours very truly,
WOODBIDGE N. FERRIS,
Governor.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting Senate bill No. 75 (file No. 99), entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the State Public School for the

fiscal year ending June 30, 1916, to meet a deficiency in the current expense appropriation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1915, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Public School.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting
Senate bill No. 21 (file No. 100), entitled

A bill authorizing, empowering and requiring the board of control of the Michigan State Prison to sell and dispose of certain lands situate within the city of Jackson.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Michigan State Prison.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting
Senate bill No. 112 (file No. 81), entitled

A bill to amend section 15 of Act No. 173 of the Public Acts of the State of Michigan for the year 1913, entitled "An act to establish a farm colony for the humane, curative, scientific and economical treatment of epileptic persons, exclusive of insane and idiotic persons, to be known as the 'Michigan Farm Colony for Epileptics,' to regulate the procedure for admission thereto and to provide for the management and control thereof and making an appropriation therefor."

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Michigan Farm Colony for Epileptics.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Flowers introduced

House bill No. 247, entitled

A bill to provide for the support and maintenance of illegitimate children; to provide penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act; and to repeal chapter 42 of the Revised Statutes of 1846, being chapter 153 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, and all acts or parts of acts inconsistent with or contravening the provisions of this act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Flowers introduced

House bill No. 248, entitled

A bill to amend sections 3, 4, 6 and 9 of Act No. 242 of the Public Acts of 1863, entitled "An act for the incorporation of hospitals or asylums, in cases where valuable grants or emoluments have been made to trustees for such purposes and the several acts amendatory thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. William F. Jerome introduced

House bill No. 249, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1 and 11 of Act 120 of the Public Acts of 1903, entitled "An act to provide for the inspection of animals intended for meat supplies and all meat intended for consumption in cities, villages and townships; to regulate slaughter houses and meat markets, and to license the sale of meats in cities, villages and townships; to provide for public abattoirs therein and to regulate the use thereof."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Public Health.

Mr. William F. Jerome introduced

House bill No. 250, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1 and 3 of Act 137 of the Public Acts of 1883, entitled "An act to specify certain duties of health officers and to provide for compensation therefor, in townships, cities and villages where a health officer is not otherwise instructed by the local board of health," the same being sections 4460 and 4462 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Public Health.

Mr. Jones introduced

House bill No. 251, entitled

A bill to regulate the hours of labor of laborers, workmen and mechanics employed in the erection, construction, remodeling or repairing of any public building or works and providing penalties for violations.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Labor.

Mr. Quintel introduced

House bill No. 252, entitled

A bill to provide for the compilation, publication and distribution in book form of all laws now in existence in regard to the powers and duties of township officers, to supply the same to certain township officers, and to repeal all acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Towns and Counties.

Mr. Matthews introduced

House bill No. 253, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 3, section 3 of chapter 4, section 1 of chapter 5, section 1 of chapter 7, and section 1 of chapter 8, and to add one new section to chapter 9 of Act No. 254 of the Public Acts of 1897, entitled "An act to provide for the construction and maintenance of drains, and the assessment and collection of taxes therefor, and to repeal all other laws relative thereto," being sections 4319, 4342, 4344, 4371 and 4379 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Drainage.

Mr. Snow introduced

House bill No. 254, entitled

A bill to repeal Act 348 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to establish a State sanatorium in the township of Jerome, county of Midland, State of Michigan, to be known as the Central Michigan Sanatorium, for the care and treatment of persons having tuberculosis, and making appropriations therefor, and to provide a tax to meet the same."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Empson introduced

House bill No. 255, entitled

A bill to amend section 25 of Act No. 206 of the Public Acts of 1893, entitled "An act to provide for the assessment of property and the levy and collection of taxes thereon; and for the collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied; making such taxes a lien on the lands taxed; establishing and continuing such lien; providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes; and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the State and not redeemed or purchased; and to repeal Act No. 200 of the Public Acts of 1891, and all other acts and parts of acts in anywise contravening any of the provisions of this act," being section 3848 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on General Taxation.

Mr. Flowers introduced

House bill No. 256, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1, 4, 7, 8 and 10 of Act 271 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to create the Michigan Historical Commission; to provide for the appointment of members of such commission; to fix their terms of office; prescribe their powers and duties; make an appropriation to carry out the provisions of this act, and repeal all acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Library.

Mr. Nank introduced

House bill No. 257, entitled

A bill to provide for the organization of mutual insurance companies to do a general automobile insurance business; to prescribe their powers and duties and to regulate the same.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Insurance.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 5 (file No. 7), entitled

A bill to provide for the incorporation of cremation companies and associations.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Gayde	Mr. Moore	Mr. Sours
Anderson	Gettel	Oakley	Stevens
Ashley	Green	O'Brien	Stevenson
Averill	Griggs	Ormsbee	Sutton
Chapin	Haviland	Palmer	Symonds
Cowan	Henry	Penney	Tufts
Culver	Hoffman	Place	Van Antwerp
Daigneau	Hulse	Read, Thos.	Vine
Daprato	Jerome, J. D.	Reed, C. J.	Ward
Edwards	Jerome, W. F.	Robertson	Weissert
Empson	Jones	Rogers	Whiteley
Evens	Keen	Schmidt	Wieland
Ewing	Koehler	Sherman	Wood
Flowers	Kooyers	Shields	Woodruff
Follett	McMillan	Smith, Newel	Wright
Ford, R. L.	Martin	Smith, S. J.	Speaker
Francis	Miller		

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NAYS.

Mr. Biggerstaff	Mr. Leland	Mr. Pray	Mr. Snow
Bosch	Lewis	Quintel	Warner
Clark	Matthews	Rice	Watkins
Croll	Nank	Root	Wells
Foote	Nelson	Ross	Wiley
Hinkley	Olmsted	Sly	Wolcott
Hopkins	Person	Smith, F. A.	

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Hoffman moved that when the House adjourns today it stand adjourned until tomorrow at 9:00 o'clock a. m.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. DeBoer made written request for the printing of House bill No. 196, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1 and 3 of Act 200 of the Public Acts of 1905, entitled "An act to provide for the compulsory education of children, for penalties for failure to comply with the provisions of this act, and to repeal all acts or parts of acts conflicting with the provisions of the same."

The request was referred to the Committee on Printing.

Mr. Oakley moved that when the House adjourns tomorrow it stand adjourned until Monday at 9:00 o'clock p. m.

The motion prevailed.

GENERAL ORDERS OF THE DAY.

Mr. Oakley moved that the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole on the general orders.

The motion prevailed.

The Speaker called Mr. Oakley to the chair.

After a time spent in the consideration of bills upon the general orders, the committee rose, and, through its chairman, reported

House bill No. 89 (file No. 41), entitled

A bill to amend section 25 of chapter 3 of Act No. 164 of the Public Acts of 1881, entitled "An act to revise and consolidate the laws relating to public instruction and primary schools, and to repeal all statutes and acts contravening the provisions of this act," being section 4691 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as last amended by Act No. 218 of the Public Acts of 1911.

Recommending the adoption of the following amendment thereto, and the passage of the bill when so amended:

Amend by inserting in line 35 of section 41 after the word "is" the word "not."

The question being on the adoption of the proposed amendment made by the committee,

The amendment was adopted and the bill was placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

The Committee of the Whole reported

Senate bill No. 48 (file No. 61), entitled

A bill to require plans for all school buildings and for additions to school buildings, the cost of which shall exceed three hundred dollars, to be approved by the Superintendent of Public Instruction and the Secretary of the State Board of Health, and to authorize the condemnation of school houses under certain conditions.

Recommending that the bill be referred to the Committee on Education.

The recommendation was concurred in and the bill was so referred.

Mr. Croll moved that the House adjourn.

The motion prevailed, the time being 2:50 o'clock p. m.

The Speaker declared the House adjourned until tomorrow at 9:00 o'clock a. m.

CHARLES S. PIERCE,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.

THIRTY-FOURTH DAY.

Lansing, Friday, February 26.

9:00 o'clock a. m.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

Religious exercises were conducted by Rev. Albert Gullledge, of the Capital Christian Church, of Lansing.

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk, who announced that a quorum was present.

Messrs. Sheridan Ford, Haviland, William F. Jerome, Lamphere, Petermann, Clarence J. Reed, Sly, Stevens and Whiteley were absent with leave.

Messrs. Ashley, Culver, Follett, Gayde, James D. Jerome, Keen, Koehler, Martz, Nank, Palmer, Sherman, Frank A. Smith, Stevenson and Woodruff were absent without leave.

Mr. Tufts moved that Mr. Follett be excused from today's session.
The motion prevailed.

Mr. Foote moved that Mr. Nank be excused from today's and Monday's sessions.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Jones moved that Messrs. Culver and Gayde be excused from today's session.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Oakley moved that an indefinite leave of absence be granted Mr. Koehler.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Miller moved that an indefinite leave of absence be granted Mr. Frank A. Smith.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Wolcott moved that the other absentees be excused from today's session.

The motion prevailed.

Messrs. Place and Snow asked and obtained leaves of absence from Monday's session.

Messrs. Bosch and Lewis asked and obtained indefinite leaves of absence after today's session.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

Mr. Samuel J. Smith presented
Petition No. 586.

Petition of A. J. Berry and 4 other citizens of Indian River, Cheboygan county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Palmer presented
Petition No. 587.

Petition of W. R. Smith and 13 other citizens of Detroit, Wayne county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Gettel presented
Petition No. 588.

Protest of Chas. W. Liken and 23 other citizens of Sebewaing, Huron county, against the passage of House bill No. 139, entitled "A bill to co-ordinate the health service of the State."

The protest was referred to the Committee on Public Health.

Mr. Lewis presented
Petition No. 589.

Protest of Loyd A. Waubaugh and 46 other citizens of Van Buren county, against the passage of House bill No. 139, entitled "A bill to co-ordinate the health service of the State."

The protest was referred to the Committee on Public Health.

Mr. Henry presented
Petition No. 590.

Petition of Ivan Guy and 32 other citizens of Grand Rapids, Kent county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Oakley presented
Petition No. 591.

Petition of Geo. Pringle and 13 other citizens of Bay City, Bay county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 13, entitled "A bill providing the minimum number of employes to be used by common carriers."

The petition was referred to the Committee on Labor.

The Speaker presented
Petition No. 592.

Petition of W. Cliff and 16 other citizens of Lapeer, Lapeer county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

The Speaker presented
Petition No. 593.

Petition of J. S. Hossler and 8 other citizens of Metamora, Lapeer county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 64, relative to a retirement fund for teachers.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Francis presented
Petition No. 594.

Petition of H. G. O'Keel and 331 other citizens of Marquette county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the Upper Peninsula.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Francis presented
Petition No. 595.

Petition of Rolet M. Cleminson and 190 other citizens of the State, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Francis presented
Petition No. 596.

Resolution adopted by the common council of the city of Ishpeming, Marquette county, favoring the appointment of a commission to revise the registration and election laws of the State.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on Elections.

Mr. Pray presented
Petition No. 597.

Petition of P. J. Weippert and 5 other citizens of Sunfield, Eaton county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Kooyers presented
Petition No. 598.

Petition of Margaret Robertson and 37 other citizens of Grand Haven, Ottawa county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 64, relative to a retirement fund for teachers.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY CLERK OF PRINTING OF BILLS.

The Clerk announced that the following named bills had been printed and placed upon the files of the members Thursday, February 25:

House bill No. 117 (file No. 55), entitled

A bill to amend sections 37 and 39 of Act No. 313 of the Public Acts of 1887, as amended, entitled "An act to provide for the taxation, licensing and regulation of the business of manufacturing, selling, keeping for sale, furnishing, giving or delivering spirituous and intoxicating liquor and malt, brewed or fermented liquors and vinous liquors in this State, and to repeal all acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act."

House bill No. 205 (file No. 56), entitled

A bill to provide for the assessment and the collection of a specific annual tax upon the class of credits founded upon and evidenced by mortgages and liens upon real property, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in contravention thereto.

House bill No. 216 (file No. 57), entitled

A bill to provide for the inspection of certain steam boilers by the Commissioner of Labor, fixing the powers and duties of the Commissioner of Labor with respect thereto, prohibiting the use and operation of such boilers as are found to be dangerous or unsafe for use, and to provide a penalty for the violation of this act.

House bill No. 195 (file No. 58), entitled

A bill to provide for the payment of bounties for the killing of common rats.

House bill No. 149 (file No. 59), entitled

A bill to amend section 17 of Act 275 of the Public Acts of 1911, entitled "An act to provide for the protection of game and birds, to regulate the taking, possession, use and transportation of the same, to prohibit the sale thereof, to regulate the manner of hunting, pursuing and killing of game or birds, to provide a penalty for the violation of any of the provisions of this act, and to repeal inconsistent acts and parts of acts," as amended by Act 167 of the Public Acts of 1913.

House bill No. 173 (file No. 60), entitled

A bill to repeal Act No. 334 of the Session Laws of 1869, entitled "An act for the protection of fish in the lakes known as Devil's lake and Round lake, in Lenawee county; Whitmore lake, Washtenaw county, and Brace lake, Calhoun county," as amended by Act No. 169 of the Local Acts of 1889.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Western State Normal School, by Mr. Wiley, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 164, entitled

A bill making appropriations for the Western State Normal School for current expenses and for building and special purposes, for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, and for building and for special purposes for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1918, and June 30, 1919, and June 30, 1920, and June 30, 1921, and to provide a tax for the same.

With the following amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in and that when so amended the bill pass:

1. Amend by striking out of lines 18, 19, 21, 22, 24 and 25 of sec-

tion 2 the words "one hundred" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "seventy-five."

2. Amend by striking out the word "and" in line 25 of section 2.

3. Amend by adding to section 2 the words "seventy-five thousand dollars during the fiscal year ending June thirty, nineteen hundred twenty-two, and seventy-five thousand dollars during the fiscal year ending June thirty, nineteen hundred twenty-three."

4. Amend by striking out of line 3 of section 5 the words "forty-eight" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "twenty-three."

5. Amend by striking out of lines 4 and 5 of section 5 the words "forty-eight" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "twenty-three."

6. Amend by striking out of line 7 of section 5 the word "and."

7. Amend by inserting after the word "twenty" in line 7 of section 5 the words "nineteen hundred twenty-one and nineteen hundred twenty-two."

8. Amend by striking out of lines 7 and 8 of section 5 the words "one hundred" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "seventy-five."

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the amendments to the bill recommended by the committee,

The amendments were adopted.

The bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The Committee on Printing, by Mr. Van Antwerp, Chairman, reported

The written request of Mr. Anderson for the printing of
House bill No. 194, entitled

A bill to regulate livery stable keepers and persons carrying and transporting passengers over the public highways of this State for hire, and to impose a specific tax upon the same for the benefit of the highway fund of this State, and to provide for the license of said persons in accordance therewith, and to punish violations thereof.

With the recommendation that the request be granted.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the recommendation of the committee,

The recommendation was concurred in, and the bill ordered printed.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES.

By the Special Committee appointed to draft resolutions in memory of the late Representative Homer McGraw.

Your Special Committee appointed to prepare a memorial for our fellow member, Homer McGraw, report the following:

Homer McGraw, a Representative from the First District of Wayne county, departed this life on the 27th day of January, 1915. He had scarcely entered upon his duties as a member of this House before he was summoned by the gentle messenger called Death to enter into the Silent Land.

He was a man of sterling worth. His life had been one of active devotion to public affairs in the city of Detroit. Although not endowed with a robust constitution, he thought it was his duty to serve the State in the capacity of lawmaker, not knowing, perhaps, how arduous such

duty would be if conscientiously performed. He was a man of genial disposition, of kindly heart and gentle impulses, of broad knowledge of human affairs, and we feel that in his taking off the State has lost a faithful public servant, his neighbors a wise counselor, his family a beloved husband and father.

Resolved, That this memorial be spread upon the Journal of the House of Representatives, and an engrossed copy of the same be sent to his family.

CHAS. FLOWERS,
WILLIAM F. JEROME.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the report,

The report was unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

A message was received from the Senate returning
House bill No. 68 (file No. 12), entitled

A bill to authorize the common council of cities of the fourth class to provide by ordinance for the establishment of central places of registration of the electors of said city.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill.

The bill was referred to the Clerk for enrollment printing and presentation to the Governor.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting
Senate bill No. 111 (file No. 80), entitled

A bill to amend section 20 of Act No. 173 of the Public Acts of the State of Michigan for the year 1913, entitled "An act to establish a farm colony for the humane, curative, scientific and economical treatment of epileptic persons, exclusive of insane and idiotic persons, to be known as the 'Michigan Farm Colony for Epileptics,' to regulate the procedure for admission thereto and to provide for the management and control thereof and making an appropriation therefor."

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Michigan Farm Colony for Epileptics.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting
Senate bill No. 135 (file No. 101), entitled

A bill for the incorporation of ecclesiastical seminaries for the higher and doctrinal education of persons intending to enter upon the ministry of the gospel.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Religious and Benevolent Societies.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Flowers introduced

House bill No. 258, entitled

A bill to establish the validity and to provide for the administration and control of gifts, grants, devises and bequests in trust for religious, educational, charitable or benevolent purposes, and to establish and confirm the jurisdiction of probate court over such trusts.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Evens introduced

House bill No. 259, entitled

A bill to amend section 15 of chapter 2; sections 6, 7, 10, 18, 20 and 21 of chapter 4; sections 3, 9, 10, 11 and 12 of chapter 5; section 13 of chapter 8; sections 2 and 3 of chapter 15 of Act No. 283 of the Public Acts of 1909 as amended, entitled "An act to revise, consolidate and add to the laws relating to the establishment, opening, improvement, maintenance and use of the public highways and private roads; the condemnation of property and gravel therefor; the building, repairing and preservation of bridges; setting and protecting shade trees; drainage; cutting weeds and brush within this State, and providing for the election and defining the powers, duties and compensation of State, county, township and district highway officials."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Roads and Bridges.

Mr. Flowers introduced

House bill No. 260, entitled

A bill to revise and consolidate the laws regulating marriage, divorce and the domestic relations and the rights and duties of the parties to such relations; and to provide remedies and penalties for the violation of such rights and duties or any of the provisions of this act, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts contravening any of the provisions of this act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Watkins introduced

House bill No. 261, entitled

A bill to create a commission to investigate the existing system of public care and relief of poor persons in the State of Michigan; the laws governing the same and the administration of such laws; to define the powers and duties of said commission, and to appropriate the necessary moneys for the expense to be incurred by said commission in the performance of its duties.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Foote introduced

House bill No. 262, entitled

A bill to regulate the manufacture, sale or other disposal of poisonous fly paper or poisonous fly killer and to provide penalties for the violation thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Public Health.

Mr. Oakley introduced
House bill No. 263, entitled

A bill to amend section 72 of Act No. 84 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to increase the efficiency of the military establishment of the State of Michigan; to make an appropriation therefor, and to repeal all former acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act," as amended by Act No. 67 of the Public Acts of 1911.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. Oakley introduced
House bill No. 264, entitled

A bill regulating the use of automatic hammers and providing a penalty for the violation of this act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 89 (file No. 41), entitled

A bill to amend section 25 of chapter 3 of Act No. 164 of the Public Acts of 1881, entitled "An act to revise and consolidate the laws relating to public instruction and primary schools, and to repeal all statutes and acts contravening the provisions of this act," being section 4691 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as last amended by Act No. 218 of the Public Acts of 1911.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Francis	Mr. Nelson	Mr. Smith, Newel
Anderson	Gettel	Oakley	Smith, S. J.
Averill	Green	O'Brien	Snow
Biggerstaff	Griggs	Olmsted	Sours
Bosch	Henry	Ormsbee	Sutton
Chapin	Hinkley	Penney	Symonds
Clark	Hoffman	Person	Van Antwerp
Cowan	Hopkins	Place	Vine
Croll	Hulse	Pray	Ward
Daigneau	Jones	Quintel	Warner
Daprato	Kemmerling	Read, Thos.	Watkins
De Boer	Kooyers	Rice	Weissert
Edwards	Leland	Robertson	Wells
Empson	Lewis	Rogers	Wieland
Evens	McMillan	Root	Wiley
Ewing	Martin	Ross	Wolcott
Flowers	Matthews	Schmidt	Wright
Foote	Miller	Shields	Speaker
Ford, R. L.	Moore		

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NAYS.

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Hinkley offered the following concurrent resolution:

House concurrent resolution No. 14.

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That the State Librarian is hereby requested and directed to deliver to each member and officer of the Legislature one set of the Proceedings and Debates of the Constitutional Convention of 1907; and also to each member and officer one manual of the Constitutional Convention.

The Speaker announced that under Rule 50 the resolution would lie over one day.

Mr. Lewis offered the following resolution:

House resolution No. 35.

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the Auditor General be and is hereby requested to furnish, at his earliest convenience, to this House a complete and detailed statement of the entire costs to the State of the several suits in the State and Federal courts during the last ten years, wherein the State has sought to compel the railroad companies to pay their taxes as assessed.

Such statement shall contain the items of special attorney hire, court costs, witness and appraiser's fees, and all other expenses contracted and paid, excepting the regular maintenance of the Attorney General's office.

Such statement shall also contain a list of the penalties taxed against and paid by said railroad companies, as well as the sums of taxed costs paid by the defendants, so that the actual loss to this State, by reason of these suits, may be ascertained.

The resolution was adopted.

GENERAL ORDERS OF THE DAY.

Mr. Averill moved that the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole on the general orders.

The motion prevailed.

The Speaker called Mr. Averill to the chair.

After a time spent in the consideration of bills upon the general orders, the committee rose, and, through its chairman, made a report recommending the passage, without amendment, of the following entitled bill:

House bill No. 173 (file No. 60), entitled

A bill to repeal Act No. 334 of the Session Laws of 1869, entitled "An act for the protection of fish in the lakes known as Devil's lake and Round lake, in Lenawee county; Whitmore lake, Washtenaw county,

and Brace lake, Calhoun county," as amended by Act No. 169 of the Local Acts of 1889.

The bill was placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

Mr. Averill moved that the House adjourn.

The motion prevailed, the time being 9:44 o'clock a. m.

The Speaker declared the House adjourned until Monday at 9:00 o'clock p. m.

CHARLES S. PIERCE,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.

THIRTY-FIFTH DAY.

Lansing, Monday, March 1.

9:00 o'clock p. m.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

Religious exercises were conducted by Rev. Father F. A. O'Connor, of St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church, of Lansing.

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk, who announced that a quorum was present.

Messrs. Bosch, Haviland, Koehler, Lewis, Nank, Thomas Read, Sly, Frank A. Smith, Snow and Whiteley were absent with leave.

Messrs. DeBoer, Sheridan Ford, Gayde, Griggs, Keen, Penney, Wieland, Wood and Woodruff were absent without leave.

Mr. Averill moved that Mr. DeBoer be excused from today's session. The motion prevailed.

Mr. Robertson moved that an indefinite leave of absence be granted to Mr. Penney.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Lamphere moved that an indefinite leave of absence be granted to Mr. Woodruff.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Culver moved that an indefinite leave of absence be granted to Mr. Sheridan Ford.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Newel Smith moved that the other absentees without leave be excused from today's session.

The motion prevailed.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

Mr. Daigneau presented
Petition No. 599.

Petition of Chas. H. Mann and 9 other teachers of Niles, Berrien county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 64, relative to a retirement fund for teachers.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Hinkley presented
Petition No. 600.

Petition of Andrew Watt and 5 other citizens of Conway, Emmet county in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Shields presented
Petition No. 601.

Resolutions endorsed by John Watkins and 52 other citizens of Houghton county, favoring an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the Upper Peninsula.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Edwards presented
Petition No. 602.

Petition of Herbert A. Spitz and 66 other citizens of Houghton county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the Upper Peninsula.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Ransom L. Ford presented
Petition No. 603.

Petition of Charles C. Taylor and 29 other citizens of Vienna, Genesee county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Anderson presented
Petition No. 604.

Petition of H. A. Ehman and 72 other citizens of Benzie county, in favor of the present fish laws.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Fish and Fisheries.

Mr. Anderson presented
Petition No. 605.

Resolutions adopted by the Frankfort Board of Trade, of Frankfort, Benzie county, favoring an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Matthews presented

Petition No. 606.

Petition of Robert Hendershott, Jr., and 32 other citizens of Barry county, requesting the passage of a bill regulating fishing in the inland lakes of Hope township, Barry county.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Fish and Fisheries.

Mr. Hoffman presented

Petition No. 607.

Petition of William L. Wallis and 30 other citizens of Marlette, Sanilac county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 64, relative to a retirement fund for teachers.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Hoffman presented

Petition No. 608.

Petition of Joseph T. Northon and 8 other teachers of Marlette, Sanilac county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 64, relative to a retirement fund for teachers.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Shields presented

Petition No. 609.

Petition of Ida Hagen and 12 other citizens of Houghton county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 64, relative to a retirement fund for teachers.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

The Speaker presented

Petition No. 610.

Protest of Mrs. A. M. Lilley and 39 other citizens of Lapeer county, against the passage of House bill No. 139, entitled "A bill to co-ordinate the health service of the State."

The protest was referred to the Committee on Public Health.

Mr. Croll presented

Petition No. 611.

Petition of J. S. Bicknell and 8 other citizens of Clare, Clare county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Daigneau presented

Petition No. 612.

Protest of B. F. Davidson and 11 other citizens of Benton Harbor, Berrien county, against the passage of House bill No. 139, entitled "A bill to co-ordinate the health service of the State."

The protest was referred to the Committee on Public Health.

Mr. Henry presented

Petition No. 613.

Petition of E. E. Storkan and 11 other citizens of Battle Creek, Cal-

houn county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Stevenson presented

Petition No. 614.

Petition of Wm. Jenks and 12 other citizens of Detroit, Wayne county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Person presented

Petition No. 615.

Petition of A. W. Wally and 20 other citizens of Lansing, Ingham county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Jones presented

Petition No. 616.

Petition of J. O. Gunn and 37 other citizens of Detroit, Wayne county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Ward presented

Petition No. 617.

Petition of D. E. Driggs and 18 other citizens of Saginaw, Saginaw county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY CLERK OF PRINTING OF BILLS.

The Clerk announced that the following named bills had been printed and placed upon the files of the members Friday, February 26:

Senate substitute for Senate bill No. 139 (file No. 126), entitled

A bill to authorize the common council of the city of Detroit to borrow money for the purpose of acquiring lands and constructing library building or buildings thereon, and the completion and maintenance thereof.

Senate substitute for Senate bill No. 34 (file No. 127), entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1916, to meet a deficiency in the amount appropriated under Act No. 57 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act making an appropriation to pay the actual railroad fare or transportation to the celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of the battle of Gettysburg to be held at Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, July 1, 2 and 3, 1913, of all union or confederate soldiers of the civil war who were present and participated in said battle and who are at present or have been residents of the State

of Michigan for six months prior to January 1, 1913," and to provide a tax to meet the same.

Senate substitute for Senate bill No. 88 (file No. 128), entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of Act No. 266 of the Public Acts of 1895, entitled "An act relative to bonds and other obligations, with surety or sureties, and the acceptance as surety thereon of companies qualified to act as such, and the release of such surety, and the safe depositing of assets for which such surety may be liable, and to the charging by fiduciaries of the expense of procuring sureties, and repealing all laws in conflict therewith," as amended by Act No. 106 of the Public Acts of 1897, the same being compiler's section 5196 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by Act 321 of the Public Acts of 1907; to permit certain bonding companies to write liquor bonds.

Senate bill No. 119 (file No. 129), entitled

A bill to repeal Act No. 612 of the Local Acts of 1905, entitled "An act to provide for the locating and establishing of drains within the county of Ionia," approved June 7, 1905.

Senate bill No. 179 (file No. 130), entitled

A bill to amend sections 2, 15, 17 and 18 of Act 275 of the Public Acts of 1911, as amended by Act 167 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to provide for the protection of game and birds, to regulate the taking, possession, use and transportation of the same, to prohibit the sale thereof, to regulate the manner of hunting, pursuing and killing game or birds, to provide a penalty for the violation of any of the provisions of this act, and to repeal inconsistent acts and parts of acts."

Senate bill No. 178 (file No. 131), entitled

A bill to provide for the appointment of a chief clerk in the compiling division of the Department of State, and to fix the salary thereof.

Senate bill No. 180 (file No. 132), entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the erection in Arlington National Cemetery of a suitable memorial monument over the grave of Anna Etheridge Hooks (nee Blair); and to provide for a commission to carry out the provisions of this act.

House bill No. 44 (file No. 61), entitled

A bill to regulate and license the fishing with any kind of apparatus for the purpose of taking clams, mollusks or pearls in any of the inland waters of this State, and to provide an open and closed season for taking same.

The Clerk announced that the following named bill had been printed and placed upon the files of the members Saturday, February 27:

Senate bill No. 181 (file No. 133), entitled

A bill authorizing the appointment of a commissioner to represent the State at the Panama-Pacific International Exposition at San Francisco, fixing his compensation and duties, authorizing the employment of necessary assistants, and making an appropriation to carry out the provisions hereof.

The Clerk announced that the following named bills had been printed and placed upon the files of the members Monday, March 1:

Senate bill No. 125 (file No. 134), entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of Act No. 81 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to provide for the treatment in certain institutions of this State of persons desiring and applying for treatment for mental disorders."

Senate bill No. 160 (file No. 135), entitled

A bill to repeal Act No. 192 of the Public Acts of 1905, entitled "An act to provide for screening the outlets of Sugar Loaf and Rawson lakes, in the township of Schoolcraft, Kalamazoo county, Michigan, and to prohibit fishing in said lakes in any manner, except with hook and line.

Senate bill No. 161 (file No. 136), entitled

A bill to regulate the location of clubs maintaining billiard or pool tables in certain cases, and to limit the age of members of such clubs.

Senate bill No. 162 (file No. 137), entitled

A bill to amend section 7 of Act No. 77 of the Public Acts of 1869, entitled "An act in relation to life insurance companies transacting business within this State," being section 7196 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

Senate bill No. 185 (file No. 138), entitled

A bill to provide for the opening of roads to certain isolated lands.

Senate bill No. 187 (file No. 139), entitled

A bill to amend section 10 of Act No. 318 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act providing for the registration, identification and regulation of motor vehicles operated upon the public highways of this State, and of the operators of such vehicles."

Senate bill No. 188 (file No. 140), entitled

A bill abrogating the common law disability of married women insofar as to make and render them competent to bind themselves and become liable with their husbands as joint makers or joint contractors upon any written instrument, in certain cases subjecting the real estate of the husband and wife owned by them as tenants by entirety, and all crops, rents, profits or proceeds thereof or taken therefrom to the payment and satisfaction of judgments and decrees of courts rendered upon such written instruments and providing for the enforcement of such liabilities, and to repeal all acts or parts of acts contravening the provisions of this act.

Senate bill No. 116 (file No. 141), entitled

A bill to amend section 6 of Act No. 81 of the Public Acts of 1873, entitled "An act to establish a State Board of Health, to provide for the appointment of a superintendent of vital statistics, and to assign certain duties to local boards of health," as amended by Act No. 18 of the Public Acts of 1905, being section 4402 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

Senate bill No. 190 (file No. 142), entitled

A bill to amend section 35 of chapter 14 of the Revised Statutes of 1846, entitled "Of the county treasurer," as amended, being compiler's section 2534 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

Senate bill No. 191 (file No. 143), entitled

A bill to amend section 76 of chapter 16 of the Revised Statutes of 1846, entitled "Of the powers and duties of townships and election and duties of township officers," as amended, being compiler's section 2353 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

Senate bill No. 133 (file No. 144), entitled

A bill to amend section 4 of Act No. 81 of the Public Acts of 1873, entitled "An act to establish a State Board of Health, to provide for the appointment of a superintendent of vital statistics, and to assign certain duties to local boards of health," as amended by Act No. 18 of the Public Acts of 1905, being section 4400 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

Senate bill No. 134 (file No. 145), entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of Act No. 318 of the Public Acts of 1905, entitled "An act to authorize the appointment of an assistant secretary of the State Board of Health; to prescribe his duties and fix his compensation."

Senate bill 193 (file No. 146), entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of Act No. 132 of the Public Acts of 1911, entitled "An act making it unlawful for foreign insurance companies legally admitted to do business in the State of Michigan to place or cause to be placed except through a duly licensed agent in the State, insurance in the State of Michigan, in offices outside of the State of Michigan; and to repeal all inconsistent acts."

Senate bill 197 (file No. 147), entitled

A bill to extend the liability of married women in certain cases, and to provide for the collection of judgments in certain cases from the sale of personal property held in common and from the sale of real estate which has been conveyed to joint owners or to husband and wife as tenants by the entireties.

Senate bill 198 (file No. 148), entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of Act No. 137 of the Public Acts of 1849, entitled "An act to authorize proceedings against garnishees and for other purposes," approved March 28, 1849, being compiler's section 991 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as last amended by Act No. 172 of the Public Acts of 1901.

House bill No. 116 (file No. 62), entitled

A bill to amend sections 1, 21, 23 and 32 of Act No. 190 of the Public Acts of 1891, approved July 3, 1891, entitled "An act to prescribe the manner of conducting and to prevent fraud and deceptions at elections in this State," such amended sections being sections 3612, 3631, 3633 and 3642 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by Act No. 214, Public Acts of 1901; Act No. 189, Public Acts of 1907; Act No. 192, Public Acts of 1909; Acts Nos. 60 and 158, Public Acts of 1911; Act No. 8, Public Acts of 1912; and Acts No. 54, No. 218 and No. 375, Public Acts of 1913; and to add three new sections to stand as section 49, section 50 and section 51 of said act.

House bill No. 201 (file No. 63), entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the Michigan Agricultural College for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1916, to meet the deficiency in the current expense or aid fund for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1914, and to provide a tax to meet the same

House bill No. 211 (file No. 64), entitled

A bill to amend section 17 of chapter 2 of Act 164 of the Public Acts of 1881, entitled "An act to revise and consolidate the laws relating to public instruction and primary schools, and to repeal all acts or parts of acts contravening the provisions of this act," being compiler's

section 4662 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by Act No. 83 of the Public Acts of 1909, and as last amended by Act 146 of the Public Acts of 1913.

House bill No. 210 (file No. 65), entitled

A bill to provide for a board of education for cities having a population of two hundred fifty thousand or over, and comprising a single school district; to fix their terms of office, and the manner of the nomination and election of the members thereof.

House bill No. 161 (file No. 66), entitled

A bill to amend the title and section 1 of Act 356 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to provide for establishment and maintenance in this State of a State house of correction at or near the city of Bay City in the county of Bay; for the confinement of convicted persons therein; for the government and discipline thereof, and to make appropriations therefor, and to provide taxes to meet the same," and to add two new sections thereto to stand as sections 16 and 17 of said act.

House bill No. 174 (file No. 67), entitled

A bill concerning and regulating public utilities; creating a public service commission; abolishing the Railroad Commission of Michigan and conferring the powers of the Railroad Commission on the public service commission, and prescribing penalties for the violation hereof.

House bill No. 48 (file No. 68), entitled

A bill to prohibit the manufacture, sale, keeping for sale or giving away cigarettes, cigarette papers or wrappers or other substitutes therefor, and providing a penalty for the violation thereof.

House bill No. 114 (file No. 69), entitled

A bill to authorize the board of supervisors of each county to receive, appropriate and raise money by tax for the purpose of encouraging and improving agriculture within the county by cooperating with the Michigan Agricultural College or the United States Department of Agriculture, in employing a county agricultural agent.

House bill No. 98 (file No. 70), entitled

A bill to prevent unlawful discrimination in the purchase for resale or manufacture of wheat, oats, corn, rye, barley, clover seed, beans, hay or potatoes, and to provide a punishment for the same.

House bill No. 194 (file No. 71), entitled

A bill to regulate livery stable keepers and persons carrying and transporting passengers over the public highways of this State for hire, and to impose a specific tax upon the same for the benefit of the highway fund of this State, and to provide for the license of said persons in accordance therewith, and to punish violations thereof.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Traverse City State Hospital, by Mr. Sherman, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 39, entitled

A bill making appropriations for the Traverse City State hospital for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1915, for dining room, industrial building, fire protection at farm barns, and other special purposes, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

With the following amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in and that when so amended the bill pass:

1. Amend by striking out of line 1 of section 1, the words "seventy-three," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "fifty-four."

2. Amend by striking out of line 12 of section 1, the words "for industrial building, nine thousand dollars."

3. Amend by striking out of lines 13 and 14 of section 1, the words "for fencing, one thousand five hundred dollars."

4. Amend by striking out of lines 16 and 17 of section 1, the words "for addition to cold storage plant, five thousand five hundred dollars."

5. Amend by striking out of line 18 of section 1, the word "eight" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "five."

6. Amend by striking out of line 27 of section 1 the words "seventy-three" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "fifty-four."

7. Amend by striking out of line 2 of section 3 the words "seventy-three" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "fifty-four."

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the amendments to the bill recommended by the committee,

The amendments were adopted.

The bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The Committee on Michigan Farm Colony for Epileptics, by Mr. Green, Chairman, reported

Senate bill No. 111 (file No. 80), entitled

A bill to amend section 20 of Act No. 173 of the Public Acts of the State of Michigan for the year 1913, entitled "An act to establish a farm colony for the humane, curative, scientific and economical treatment of epileptic persons, exclusive of insane and idiotic persons, to be known as the 'Michigan Farm Colony for Epileptics,' to regulate the procedure for admission thereto and to provide for the management and control thereof and making an appropriation therefor."

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Michigan Farm Colony for Epileptics, by Mr. Green, Chairman, reported

Senate bill No. 103 (file No. 75), entitled

A bill to amend section 31 of Act 173 of the Public Acts for the year 1913, entitled "An act to establish a farm colony for the humane, curative, scientific and economical treatment of epileptic persons, exclusive of insane and idiotic persons, to be known as the 'Michigan Farm Colony for Epileptics,' to regulate the procedure for admission thereto and to provide for the management and control thereof and making an appropriation therefor."

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

A message was received from the Senate returning House bill No. 74 (file No. 16), entitled

A bill to amend Act 266 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to amend Act No. 283 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled 'An act to revise, consolidate and add to the laws relating to the establishment, opening, improvement, maintenance and use of the public highways and private roads, the condemnation of property and gravel therefor; the building, repairing and preservation of bridges; setting and protecting shade trees; drainage; cutting weeds and brush within this State, and providing for the election and defining the powers, duties and compensation of State, county, township and district highway officials,' approved June 2, 1909, by adding thereto a new chapter to be known as chapter 25, providing for the repair and improvement of highways by means of assessment of statute labor, for the election of overseers of highways, prescribing the qualifications and duties thereof, providing for carrying the same into effect, and prescribing the conditions under which the same shall supersede all provisions inconsistent therewith; and enabling townships to adopt or repeal the provisions hereof upon a referendum vote of a majority of the qualified voters voting thereon; providing for assessments for highway purposes, for the performance of labor on highways and the commutation therefor, and to prescribe penalties, forfeitures and general duties of overseers," approved June 8, 1913, by amending sections 20, 22, 30 and 39 of said chapter 25, being said sections of said Act No. 266, providing the payment by person assessed, of one dollar fifty cents for each day of work that said person refused or neglected to work after due notice, providing an offset of one day of work against the assessment for each one dollar fifty cents collected in an action against the person assessed, providing a minimum width of road grade and providing that each day of labor be estimated at one dollar and fifty cents in estimating all arrearages of labor.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had amended the title to the bill to read as follows:

A bill to amend Act 266 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to amend Act No. 283 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled 'An act to revise, consolidate and add to the laws relating to the establishment, opening, improvement, maintenance and use of the public highways and private roads, the condemnation of property and gravel therefor; the building, repairing and preservation of bridges, setting and protecting shade trees; drainage; cutting weeds and brush within this State and providing for the election and defining the powers, duties and compensation of State, county, township and district highway officials,' approved June 2, 1909, by adding thereto a new chapter to be known as chapter 25, providing for the repair and improvement of highways by means of assessment of statute labor, for the election of overseers of highways, prescribing the qualifications and duties thereof, providing for carrying the same into effect, and prescribing the conditions under which the same shall supersede all provisions inconsistent therewith; and enabling townships to adopt or repeal the provisions hereof upon a referendum vote of a majority of the qualified voters voting thereon; providing for

assessments for highway purposes, for the performance of labor on highways and the commutation therefor, and to prescribe penalties, forfeitures and general duties of overseers," approved June 8, 1913, by amending sections 20, 22, 30 and 39 of said chapter 25, being said sections of said Act No. 266.

And further informing the House of Representatives that the bill, with the title thus amended, had passed the Senate.

The question being on agreeing to the title as amended by the Senate, The title, as amended, was agreed to.

The bill was referred to the Clerk for enrollment printing and presentation to the Governor.

A message was also received from the Senate transmitting Senate Bill No. 27 (file No. 82), entitled

A bill to prohibit selling, giving, furnishing or delivering any vinous, malt, brewed, fermented, spirituous or intoxicating liquors, or any mixed liquors or beverages, any part of which is intoxicating, at lumber camps, or mills or yards which are connected with lumbering operations, or on, or along right of way of logging railroads to any employe therein, and to provide a penalty for violation of the same.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic.

A message was also received from the Senate transmitting Senate bill No. 39 (file No. 32), entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the Michigan Soldiers' Home for building and special purposes for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1916, and for the refunding of excess pension money, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Michigan Soldiers' Home.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Hoffman introduced
House joint resolution No. 5.

Joint resolution proposing an amendment to section 3, of article XI, of the Constitution relative to the appointment of Regents of the University.

The joint resolution was referred to the Committee on Revision and Amendment of the Constitution.

Mr. Hoffman introduced
House joint resolution No. 6.

Joint resolution proposing an amendment to section 7, of article XI, of the Constitution, relative to the appointment of members of the State Board of Agriculture.

The joint resolution was referred to the Committee on Revision and Amendment of the Constitution.

Mr. Hoffman introduced

House joint resolution No. 7.

Joint resolution proposing an amendment to section 6, of article XI, of the Constitution, relative to the appointment of members of the State Board of Education.

The joint resolution was referred to the Committee on Revision and Amendment of the Constitution.

Mr. Hoffman introduced

House bill No. 265, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of Act No. 190 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act in relation to the distribution of the Compiled Laws of 1897, and of the reports and decisions of the supreme court."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Flowers introduced

House bill No. 266, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of Act 87 of the Public Acts of 1891, entitled "An act to provide for appropriation of money to pay the salary of the attorney general, clerks and certain expenses in such department, and to provide the manner and condition of payment, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts contravening the provisions of this act," as amended by Act 109 of the Public Acts of 1911, the same being section 115 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Flowers introduced

House bill No. 267, entitled

A bill to amend section 9 of Act No. 188 of the Public Acts of 1899, entitled "An act to provide for the taxation of inheritances, transfers of property by will, transfers of property by the intestate laws of this State, or transfers of property by deed, grant, bargain, sale or gift, made in contemplation of the death of the grantor, vendor, or donor, or intended to take effect in possession or enjoyment at or after such death," as amended by Act 195 of the Public Acts of 1903, and Act 17 of the Public Acts of 1913.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on General Taxation.

Mr. Biggerstaff introduced

House bill No. 268, entitled

A bill authorizing the Board of Control of the Michigan State Prison to sell and dispose of certain lands situate within the county of Jackson and providing for the reappropriation of the proceeds thereof to purchase prison farms.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Michigan State Prison.

Mr. O'Brien introduced

House bill No. 269, entitled

A bill to provide for a uniform method of assessing real and personal property for taxes in this State.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on General Taxation.

Mr. Chapin introduced

House bill No. 270, entitled

A bill to repeal Act No. 316 of the Public Acts of 1905, entitled "An act for the protection of fish in the streams known as Grass river and Intermediate river, in Antrim county."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Fish and Fisheries.

Mr. Vine introduced

House bill No. 271, entitled

A bill to make estates by entirety liable for the joint obligations of husband and wife.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 198 (file No. 48), entitled

A bill to amend section 11 of Act 152 of the Public Acts of 1885, entitled "An act to authorize the establishment of a home for disabled soldiers, sailors and marines in the State of Michigan," as last amended by Act 2 of the Public Acts of 1907, Extra Session, and to add thereto two new sections to be known as sections 11 "a" and 11 "b."

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Francis	Mr. Moore	Mr. Shields
Anderson	Gettel	Nelson	Smith, Newel
Ashley	Green	Oakley	Smith, S. J.
Averill	Henry	O'Brien	Sours
Biggerstaff	Hinkley	Olmsted	Stevens
Chapin	Hoffman	Ormsbee	Stevenson
Clark	Hopkins	Palmer	Sutton
Cowan	Hulse	Person	Symonds
Croll	Jerome, J. D.	Petermann	Tufts
Culver	Jerome, W. F.	Place	Van Antwerp
Daigneau	Jones	Pray	Vine
Daprato	Kemmerling	Quintel	Ward
Edwards	Kooyers	Reed, C. J.	Warner
Empson	Lamphere	Rice	Watkins
Evans	Leland	Robertson	Weissert
Ewing	McMillan	Rogers	Wells
Flowers	Martin	Root	Wiley
Follett	Martz	Ross	Wolcott
Foote	Matthews	Schmidt	Wright
Ford, R. L.	Miller	Sherman	Speaker

NAYS.

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

House bill No. 19 (file No. 50), entitled

A bill to provide for the examination, regulation, licensing and registration of chiropractors; for the appointment of a State Board of Registration in Chiropractic; for the punishment of offenders against this act, and the repeal of all acts and parts of acts in conflict herewith.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Ford, R. L.	Mr. Matthews	Mr. Sherman
Anderson	Francis	Miller	Shields
Ashley	Gettel	Moore	Smith, Newel
Averill	Green	Oakley	Smith, S. J.
Biggerstaff	Henry	O'Brien	Sours
Chapin	Hoffman	Olmsted	Stevens
Clark	Hopkins	Ormsbee	Stevenson
Cowan	Hulse	Palmer	Sutton
Croll	Jerome, J. D.	Petermann	Tufts
Culver	Jerome, W. F.	Place	Van Antwerp
Daigneau	Jones	Pray	Vine
Edwards	Kemmerling	Quintel	Ward
Empson	Kooyers	Reed, C. J.	Warner
Ewing	Lamphere	Rice	Watkins
Flowers	McMillan	Robertson	Weissert
Follett	Martin	Rogers	Wells
Foote	Martz	Schmidt	Wright

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NAYS.

Mr. Daprato	Mr. Nelson	Mr. Ross	Mr. Wolcott
Hinkley	Person	Symonds	Speaker
Leland	Root	Wiley	

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

House bill No. 185 (file No. 52), entitled

A bill to repeal Act No. 125 of the Public Acts of 1899, entitled "An act to prohibit the taking or catching of fish by any means or device other than by hook and line in Crooked lake, Pickerel lake, Pickerel channel or Crooked river in Emmet county," upon approval by the electors of said county of Emmet."

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Green	Mr. Oakley	Mr. Smith, S. J.
Anderson	Henry	O'Brien	Sours
Ashley	Hinkley	Olmsted	Stevens
Averill	Hoffman	Ormsbee	Stevenson
Chapin	Hopkins	Person	Sutton
Clark	Hulse	Petermann	Symonds

Mr. Cowan	Mr. Jerome, J. D.	Mr. Place	Mr. Tufts
Croll	Jerome, W. F.	Pray	Van Antwerp
Culver	Jones	Reed, C. J.	Vine
Daigneau	Kemmerling	Rice	Ward
Daprato	Kooyers	Robertson	Warner
Edwards	Lamphere	Rogers	Watkins
Evens	McMillan	Root	Weissert
Ewing	Martin	Ross	Wells
Flowers	Matthews	Schmidt	Wiley
Follett	Miller	Sherman	Wolcott
Ford, R. L.	Moore	Shields	Wright
Gettel	Nelson	Smith, Newel	Speaker

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NAYS.

Mr. Biggerstaff

Mr. Empson

Mr. Palmer

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

The Speaker laid before the House the following resolutions, offered Friday, February 26, by Mr. Hinkley, and under Rule 50 laid over until today:

House concurrent resolution No. 14.

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That the State Librarian is hereby requested and directed to deliver to each member and officer of the Legislature one set of the Proceedings and Debates of the Constitutional Convention of 1907; and also to each member and officer one manual of the Constitutional Convention.

The question being on the adoption of the concurrent resolution,
The concurrent resolution was adopted.

GENERAL ORDERS OF THE DAY.

Mr. Averill moved that the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole on the general orders.

The motion prevailed.

The Speaker called Mr. Averill to the chair.

After a time spent in the consideration of bills upon the general orders, the committee rose, and, through its chairman, made a report recommending the passage, without amendment, of the following entitled bill:

House bill No. 44 (file No. 61), entitled

A bill to regulate and license the fishing with any kind of apparatus for the purpose of taking clams, mollusks or pearls in any of the inland waters of this State, and to provide an open and closed season for taking same.

The bill was placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

The Committee of the Whole reported
House bill No. 216 (file No. 57), entitled

A bill to provide for the inspection of certain steam boilers by the Commissioner of Labor, fixing the powers and duties of the Commissioner of Labor with respect thereto, prohibiting the use and operation of such boilers as are found to be dangerous or unsafe for use, and to provide a penalty for the violation of this act.

Recommending the adoption of the following amendment thereto, and the passage of the bill when so amended:

Amend by adding at the end of section 2 the words "Provided, That this act shall not apply to steam boilers operated within this State which have been inspected by a competent boiler inspector employed by any insurance company authorized to do business in the State and carrying insurance on said boiler."

The question being on the adoption of the proposed amendment made by the committee,

The amendment was adopted and the bill placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

Mr. Newel Smith asked and obtained leave of absence from tomorrow's session.

Mr. Clark moved that the House adjourn.

The motion prevailed, the time being 10:02 o'clock p. m.

The Speaker declared the House adjourned until tomorrow at 2:00 o'clock p. m.

CHARLES S. PIERCE,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.

THIRTY-SIXTH DAY.

Lansing, Tuesday, March 2.

2:00 o'clock p. m.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

Religious exercises were conducted by Rev. E. E. Mieras, of the Pentecostal Church of the Nazarene, of Lansing.

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk, who announced that a quorum was present.

Messrs. Bosch, Haviland, Koehler, Penney, Newel Smith and Woodruff were absent with leave.

Messrs. Gayde, Griggs, Thomas Read and Snow were absent without leave.

Mr. C. J. Reed moved that all absentees without leave be excused from today's session.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Martz asked and obtained leave of absence for the balance of the week.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

Mr. Symonds presented

Petition No. 618.

Resolutions endorsed by Victor Burch and 19 other citizens of Wallace, Menominee county, favoring the passage of a law limiting the killing of deer to one buck.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Symonds presented

Petition No. 619.

Resolutions endorsed by P. Martensen and 44 other citizens of Menominee county, favoring an increased rate of passenger fares on the rail-

roads of the State if actually needed; and making passenger fares uniform in the Upper and Lower Peninsula.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Oakley presented

Petition No. 620.

Petition of J. E. Nichol and 48 other citizens of Bay City, Bay county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Clark presented

Petition No. 621.

Petition of Jos. G. Glasner and 40 other citizens of Williamston, Ingham county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Ashley presented

Petition No. 622.

Petition of P. Sheehan and 103 other citizens of Detroit, Wayne county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Petermann presented

Petition No. 623.

Petition of H. E. Sangster and 36 other citizens of the State, requesting the passage of more stringent laws to protect and preserve wild game, providing for a hunter's license, the payment of a bounty of \$50 for killing wolves and the levying of a half of one mill tax for repurchasing available wild lands.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Petermann presented

Petition No. 624.

Petition of Jerry O'Brien and 193 other citizens of Calumet, Houghton county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Stevens presented

Petition No. 625.

Petition of Henry Miltner and 34 other citizens of Lake City, Missaukee county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Whiteley presented

Petition No. 626.

Petition of J. D. Lake and 59 other citizens of Oscoda county, in favor of a law providing for a closed season on deer for 5 years in the Lower

Peninsula, or in lieu thereof, restricting the killing of deer to one buck with horns by each hunter.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Matthews presented

Petition No. 627.

Resolutions adopted by the St. Joseph Michigan Fruit Association, of St. Joseph, Berrien county, requesting the passage of a bill permitting the hunting of rabbits with ferrets.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Matthews presented

Petition No. 628.

Petition of T. N. Chilson and 24 other citizens of Galien, Berrien county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Wieland presented

Petition No. 629.

Petition of John J. Kelly and 79 other citizens of Oakland county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Quintel presented

Petition No. 630.

Petition of M. F. Schaffer and 48 other citizens of Bay county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Wood presented.

Petition No. 631.

Petition of Andrew A. Smith, Jr., and 21 other citizens of Jackson, Jackson county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Wood presented

Petition No. 632.

Petition of Local Lodge No. 240, Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Engineers, requesting the passage of House bill No. 61, relative to limiting the length of trains operated by common carriers.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Lewis presented

Petition No. 633.

Petition of W. L. Bush and 30 other citizens of Breedsville, VanBuren county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 126, relative to prohibiting and preventing adulteration, fraud and deception in the manufacture and sale of articles of food and drink.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Horticulture.

Mr. Lewis presented
Petition No. 634.

Petition of H. W. Rodenbaugh and 44 other citizens of Breedsville, VanBuren county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 79, relative to prohibiting the hunting of rabbits with ferrets and guinea pigs.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Horticulture.

Mr. Frank A. Smith presented
Petition No. 635.

Protest of J. S. Bigler and 70 other citizens of Harriette, Wexford county, against any change in the rate of passenger fares charged by the railroads of the State.

The protest was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Hopkins presented
Petition No. 636.

Petition of P. Peterson and 13 other citizens of Manistee, Manistee county, favoring a closed season for catching trout and white fish from October 30th to December 20th; protesting against artificial propagation and the taxing of fishermen in proportion to the quantity of fish caught.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Fish and Fisheries.

Mr. Wood presented
Petition No. 637.

Petition of F. W. Brown and 23 other citizens of Jackson county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 61, relative to limiting the length of trains operated by common carriers.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Sheridan Ford presented
Petition No. 638.

Petition of R. C. Allen and 26 other citizens of Detroit, Wayne county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Sheridan Ford presented
Petition No. 639.

Resolutions adopted by the Twentieth Century Club of Detroit, Wayne county, favoring the construction of a fireproof addition to, or separate building from the present Capitol building.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on State Capitol and Public Buildings.

Mr. Sheridan Ford presented
Petition No. 640.

Memorial of the Michigan Library Association, relative to fire conditions in the State Library.

To the Members of the Michigan Legislature:

The Michigan Library Association, two years ago, presented the following memorial to the State Legislature. The condition of affairs

at the State Library therein referred to was not remedied at that session.

In the meantime the need for such action has become more urgent, and the Michigan Library Association at its recent annual meeting directed its officers that the memorial prepared two years ago should be presented to the members at this session and that the importance of this matter should be called to the attention of the people of the State.

THEO. W. KOCH,
President.

ADELIA REID,
Secretary.

The following is the memorial:

The Michigan Library Association regards with grave concern the exposed condition in which the people's great collection of books in the State Library at Lansing is housed. This is one of the really great State libraries of the country, and there is contained in it much printed and manuscript material which could never be replaced; much could be replaced only after the expenditure of tens of thousands of dollars and many years of effort. In case of loss by fire, the question would be not, "What price must be paid to replace them?" but rather, "Can they be bought at all, at any price?"

The material in the State Library is of increasing interest and value to all the people of the State today, and of even greater interest and value to future generations. It should be housed in such a way that the risk of loss or damage by fire is reduced to a minimum. In a few minutes, as the Library stands today, the accumulated treasures may be forever destroyed. If such a calamity should befall the people of the State of Michigan it would be due to the lack of merely prudent foresight in guarding and housing the same.

That there is a real danger of such loss by fire will be recognized by everyone when it is recalled that in recent years a large number of important libraries suffered in this way. Among these may be mentioned the following:

The fire in the State House at Madison, Wis., when the several department libraries and the Wisconsin traveling library collections were destroyed; the burning of the Library of Architecture and Art, of the Maryland Institute, at Baltimore, over 20,000 volumes; the burning of the medical library of McGill University, Montreal; the serious damage by fire of a considerable number of volumes of the Springfield, Mass., City Library; the total destruction of over 100,000 volumes in the University Library of Turin, Italy, an incalculable loss to the whole world of letters; the destruction of a branch of the St. Louis Public Library; the destruction of the San Francisco Public Library, with several of the branches, as well as other libraries in that city; the destruction of the unique insurance library of the Equitable Life Insurance Society of New York, with over 10,000 volumes on the history and science of insurance from the earliest times; the total destruction of the Paterson, N. J., Public Library; the burning of the library of the University of Virginia; and last and most important the destruction of the most valuable State library in the United States, 450,000 volumes, 270,000 manuscripts, 300,000 pamphlets, when the State Capitol at Albany, N. Y., was burned. State capitol buildings, it may be added, seem to be sub-

ject to more than the usual risk from fire, as is witnessed by the partial or total destruction of such buildings in recent years in the States of Missouri, New York, Pennsylvania and Wisconsin.

In view of this very real danger which constantly threatens the Library at Lansing; in view of the increasing importance and value of such a collection, both now and in the future, the Michigan Library Association urges that the Legislature of Michigan, representing the people and being responsible thereto, provide at the earliest opportunity suitable means for the safeguarding of the State Library, either by the addition of a fire-proof wing to the Capitol, or by the erection of a separate building, the latter being in every way the most desirable method of taking care of the situation.

The memorial was referred to the Committee on State Capitol and Public Buildings.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY CLERK OF PRINTING OF BILLS

The Clerk announced the enrollment printing and the presentation to the Governor, on March 2nd, for his approval, of the following named bill:

House bill No. 68 (file No. 12, enrolled No. 2), entitled

A bill to authorize the common council of cities of the fourth class to provide by ordinance for the establishment of central places of registration of the electors of said city.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on State Affairs, by Mr. Jas. D. Jerome, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 181, entitled

A bill to prevent the running at large of domestic animals or fowl upon grounds of rural cemeteries, and providing a penalty for the violation of this act.

With the following amendment thereto, recommending that the amendment be concurred in and that when so amended the bill pass:

1. Amend by striking out of line 4 of section 1, the word "rural."

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the amendment to the bill recommended by the committee.

The amendment was adopted.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Michigan Farm Colony for Epileptics, by Mr. Green, Chairman, reported

Senate bill No. 112 (file No. 81), entitled

A bill to amend section 15 of Act No. 173 of the Public Acts of the State of Michigan for the year 1913, entitled "An act to establish a farm colony for the humane, curative, scientific and economical treatment of epileptic persons, exclusive of insane and idiotic persons, to be known as the 'The Michigan Farm Colony for Epileptics,' to regulate the pro-

cedure for admission thereto and to provide for the management and control thereof and making an appropriation therefor."

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Printing, by Mr. VanAntwerp, Chairman, reported
The written request of Mr. Martz for the printing of
House bill No. 119, entitled

A bill to amend section 7 of Act No. 206 of the Public Acts of 1893, entitled "An act to provide for the assessment of property and the levy and collection of taxes thereon, and for the collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied; making such taxes a lien on the lands taxed; establishing and continuing such lien, providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes, and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the State and not redeemed or purchased; and to repeal Act No. 200 of the Public Acts of 1891, and all other acts or parts of acts in anywise contravening any of the provisions of this act," being section 7 of chapter 98, and compiler's section 3830 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by Act No. 309 of the Public Acts of 1909, and as amended by Act No. 174 of the Public Acts of 1911.

With the recommendation that the request be granted.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the recommendation of the committee,

The recommendation was concurred in, and the bill ordered printed.

The Committee on Printing, by Mr. VanAntwerp, Chairman, reported
The written request of Mr. Keen for the printing of
House bill No. 190, entitled

A bill to create and establish the office of county correction officer in counties of this State having a population of less than one hundred thousand; to authorize the appointment of a deputy for such officer in certain cases; to provide for the fixing of the compensation of such officer and deputy; to abolish the offices of county agent of the State Board of Corrections and Charities, county truant officer and probation officer, appointed under Act 105 of the Public Acts of 1913, and to vest the duties of said offices in the county correction officer; and to supersede all acts or parts of acts contravening the provisions hereof.

With the recommendation that the request be granted.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the recommendation of the committee,

The recommendation was concurred in, and the bill ordered printed.

The Committee on Printing, by Mr. VanAntwerp, Chairman, reported
The written request of Mr. Vine for the printing of
House bill No. 165, entitled

A bill to amend section 7 of Act No. 211 of the Public Acts of 1893, as amended by Act No. 245 of the Public Acts of 1895, and as further amended by Act No. 268 of the Public Acts of 1899, and as further amended by Act No. 230 of the Public Acts of 1903, being entitled "An

act to provide for the appointment of a Dairy and Food Commissioner, and to define his powers and duties and fix his compensation," being compiler's section No. 4979 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

With the recommendation that the request be granted.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the recommendation of the committee,

The recommendation was concurred in, and the bill ordered printed.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM STATE OFFICERS.

The following communication from the Auditor General was received and read:

Auditor General's Office,
Lansing, Michigan,
March 2, 1915.

Hon. Charles W. Smith, Speaker, House of Representatives.

My dear Mr. Smith: There is a balance due the railroads for the transportation of veterans to the Gettysburg reunion, of \$1,569.14. The amount appropriated by Act 57 of 1913, \$20,000, was not sufficient to pay for the transportation and other expenses incurred but the several railroads agreed to accept payment on account from the funds available for the purpose and wait for the balance until the Legislature of 1915 appropriated a sufficient amount to pay the claims.

The several railroads are now calling our attention to the fact that they have not received the balance due them and I would respectfully suggest that you call the attention of the members of the House to the advisability of passing the bill making the appropriation for the purpose so as to avoid delay in paying the claims of the railroads.

A bill is being considered in the Senate which appropriates \$2,000 to cover the balance due the railroads and the expenses of a few of the veterans.

I call your attention to this matter, as the faith of the State is pledged to pay the balance due the railroads and they are now asking for the amounts due them.

Yours truly,
O. B. FULLER,
Auditor General.

The communication was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

A message was received from the Senate returning House bill No. 43 (file No. 11), entitled

A bill to amend section 17 of Act No. 285 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to provide for the creation of a Department of Labor; to prescribe its powers and duties; to regulate the employment of labor; to make an appropriation for the maintenance of such department, and to prescribe penalties for the violation of this act," approved June 2, 1909.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill.

The bill was referred to the Clerk for enrollment printing and presentation to the Governor.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting Senate bill No. 61 (file No. 113), entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of Act No. 44 of the Public Acts of 1899, approved April 18, 1899, entitled "An act to provide for the publication and distribution of laws and documents, reports of the several officers, boards of officers and public institutions of this State, now or hereafter to be published, and to provide for the replacing of books lost by fire or otherwise, and to provide for the publication and distribution of the official directory and legislative manual of the State of Michigan, and to repeal Act No. 122 of the Session Laws of 1889, approved May 31, 1889, Act No. 20 of the Session Laws of 1889, approved March 19, 1889, and all other laws or parts of laws contravening or inconsistent with this act," as amended by Act No. 240 of the Public Acts of 1911.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Printing.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting

Senate substitute for Senate bills Nos. 97 and 110 (file No. 115), entitled

A bill making appropriations for the Michigan Agricultural College for building and special purposes for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Agricultural College.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting

Senate bill No. 163 (file No. 123), entitled

A bill to amend section 35 of Act No. 285 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to provide for the creation of a Department of Labor; to prescribe its powers and duties; to regulate the employment of labor; and to make an appropriation for the maintenance of such department, and to prescribe penalties for the violation of this act," as last amended by Act No. 191 of the Public Acts of 1911.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Labor.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Lamphere introduced
House bill No. 272, entitled

A bill to amend section 16 of chapter 330 of the Compiled Laws of

1897, entitled "Of the arrest and examination of offenders, commitment for trial and taking bail," being compiler's section 11853 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Whiteley introduced

House bill No. 273, entitled

A bill to amend sections 2, 15 and 16 of Act No. 280 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to create a commission to be known as a Public Domain Commission; to provide for the appointment of such a commission and to fix their terms of office; to prescribe their powers and duties; to make an appropriation to carry out the provisions of this act; and to repeal all acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith," as last amended by Act No. 333 of the Public Acts of 1913.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Public Lands and Forestry Interests.

Mr. Martin introduced

House bill No. 274, entitled

A bill to amend Act No. 7 of the Public Acts of 1912, Second Extra Session, entitled "An act to provide for the erection of armories and make an appropriation therefor," by adding thereto another section to stand as section 5, relative to expenditures by the State in certain cases.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. Hulse introduced

House bill No. 275, entitled

A bill to provide a method for the election of county superintendents of the poor in counties so desiring to elect such officials.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Towns and Counties.

Mr. Flowers introduced

House bill No. 276, entitled

A bill to amend section 102 of chapter 14 of the Revised Statutes of 1846, relative to county surveyors, as amended by Act No. 140 of the Public Acts of 1869, being compiler's section 2624 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Towns and Counties.

Mr. Flowers introduced

House bill No. 277, entitled

A bill to promote the health, safety and welfare of the people by regulating the light and ventilation, sanitation, fire protection, maintenance, alteration and improvement of dwellings; to define the classes of dwellings affected by the act, to establish administrative requirements and to establish remedies and fix penalties for the violation thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Public Health.

Mr. Wolcott introduced

House bill No. 278, entitled

A bill to amend section 7 of Act No. 205 of the Public Acts of 1887, entitled "An act to revise the laws authorizing the business of banking and to establish a banking department for the supervision of such business," being section 6096 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as last amended by Act No. 36 of the Public Acts of 1913.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. Wells introduced

House bill No. 279, entitled

A bill to provide for the preparation, transportation and care of a Michigan exhibit at the National Exhibition, to be held in connection with the half-century anniversary of negro freedom in the city of Chicago in August and September, 1915; to create a commission to manage the said exhibit, and to make an appropriation therefor.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Frank A. Smith introduced

House bill No. 280, entitled

A bill to permit the catching or taking of rainbow or steelhead trout, by the use of spears and dip nets in any of the waters of the State of Michigan from the twentieth day of March to the twentieth day of April, inclusive, of each year, and to prescribe a penalty therefor.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Fish and Fisheries.

Mr. Martin introduced

House bill No. 281, entitled

A bill to create a game and fish commission, defining its powers and duties and making an appropriation therefor, and to repeal all acts or parts of acts which conflict therewith.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Warner introduced

House bill No. 282, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of Act No. 81 of the Public Acts of 1907, entitled "An act for the protection of boarding house keepers.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Warner introduced

House bill No. 283, entitled

A bill to provide a method of voting at any general, special or primary election by electors in the actual military service of the United States or of this State, or in the army and navy thereof in time of war, insurrection or rebellion, by members of the Legislature while in attendance at any session of the Legislature, by students while in attendance at any institution of learning, and by commercial travelers absent from their place of residence upon the day of any general, special

or primary election; to provide for the time of holding primary elections, caucuses or conventions for the nominations of candidates; to provide the time for printing official ballots and to repeal all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Elections.

Mr. Watkins introduced

House bill No. 284, entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of Act No. 166 of Public Acts of 1911, entitled "An act to provide that all bituminous coal purchased for and used in all State penal, reformatory, charitable and educational institutions of this State, be the product of the coal mines of this State."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 134 (file No. 53), entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 7 of Act No. 3 of the Public Acts of 1895, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation of villages within the State of Michigan, and defining their powers and duties," being section 2769 of the Compiled Laws of 1897; to empower villages to regulate, tax and license saloons.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Gettel	Mr. Nank	Mr. Smith, F. A.
Anderson	Green	Nelson	Smith, S. J.
Ashley	Griggs	Oakley	Sours
Averill	Henry	O'Brien	Stevens
Biggerstaff	Hinkley	Olmsted	Stevenson
Chapin	Hoffman	Ormsbee	Sutton
Clark	Hopkins	Palmer	Symonds
Cowan	Hulse	Person	Van Antwerp
Croll	Jerome, J. D.	Petermann	Vine
Culver	Jerome, W. F.	Place	Ward
Daigneau	Jones	Pray	Warner
Daprato	Keen	Quintel	Watkins
De Boer	Kemmerling	Reed, C. J.	Weissert
Edwards	Kooyers	Rice	Wells
Evens	Lamphere	Robertson	Whiteley
Ewing	Leland	Rogers	Wieland
Flowers	Lewis	Root	Wiley
Follett	McMillan	Ross	Wolcott
Footo	Martin	Schmidt	Wood
Ford, R. L.	Matthews	Sherman	Wright
Ford, Sheridan	Miller	Sly	Speaker
Francis	Moore		

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

House bill No. 173 (file No. 60), entitled

A bill to repeal Act No. 334 of the Session Laws of 1869, entitled "An act for the protection of fish in the lakes known as Devil's lake and Round lake, in Lenawee county; Whitmore lake, Washtenaw county, and Brace lake, Calhoun county," as amended by Act No. 169 of the Local Acts of 1889.

Was read a third time and, the question being on its passage,

Mr. Wright moved to amend the bill

By striking out of line 2 of section 2 the word "fifteen" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "sixteen."

The motion prevailed and the amendment was adopted, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor.

The question being on the passage of the bill,

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Francis	Mr. Nank	Mr. Smith, F. A.
Anderson	Gettel	Nelson	Smith, S. J.
Ashley	Green	Oakley	Sours
Averill	Henry	O'Brien	Stevens
Biggerstaff	Hinkley	Olmsted	Stevenson
Chapin	Hoffman	Ormsbee	Sutton
Clark	Hopkins	Palmer	Symonds
Cowan	Hulse	Person	Tufts
Croll	Jerome, J. D.	Petermann	Van Antwerp
Culver	Jerome, W. F.	Place	Vine
Daigneau	Jones	Pray	Ward
Daprato	Keen	Quintel	Warner
De Boer	Kemmerling	Reed, C. J.	Watkins
Edwards	Kooyers	Rice	Weissert
Empson	Lamphere	Robertson	Wells
Evans	Leland	Rogers	Whiteley
Ewing	Lewis	Root	Wieland
Flowers	McMillan	Ross	Wiley
Follett	Martin	Schmidt	Wolcott
Foote	Matthews	Sherman	Wood
Ford, R. L.	Miller	Shields	Wright
Ford, Sheridan	Moore	Sly	Speaker

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

Mr. Snow entered the House and took his seat.

House bill No. 216 (file No. 57), entitled

A bill to provide for the inspection of certain steam boilers by the Commissioner of Labor, fixing the powers and duties of the Commissioner of Labor with respect thereto, prohibiting the use and operation of such boilers as are found to be dangerous or unsafe for use, and to provide a penalty for the violation of this act.

Was read a third time and not passed, a majority of all the members-elect not voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Jerome, J. D.	Mr. Oakley	Mr. Sutton
Ashley	Jerome, W. F.	O'Brien	Symonds
Averill	Jones	Ormsbee	Tufts
Biggerstaff	Keen	Palmer	Van Antwerp
Culver	Kooyers	Person	Watkins
De Boer	Lamphere	Place	Wells
Flowers	Martin	Rogers	Wood
Ford, Sheridan	Miller	Stevenson	Wright
Green	Moore		

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Mr. Anderson	Mr. Francis	Mr. Olmsted	Mr. Smith, S. J.
Chapin	Gettel	Petermann	Snow
Clark	Henry	Pray	Sours
Cowan	Hinkley	Quintel	Stevens
Croll	Hoffman	Reed, C. J.	Vine
Daigneau	Hopkins	Rice	Ward
Daprato	Hulse	Robertson	Warner
Edwards	Kemmerling	Root	Weissert
Empson	Leland	Ross	Whiteley
Evens	Lewis	Schmidt	Wieland
Ewing	McMillan	Sherman	Wiley
Follett	Matthews	Shields	Wolcott
Foote	Nank	Sly	Speaker
Ford, R. L.	Nelson	Smith, F. A.	

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Mr. Jones moved to reconsider the vote by which the House refused to pass the bill.

Mr. Hinkley demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was seconded.

The motion made by Mr. Jones then did not prevail, a majority of all the members present not voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Ashley	Mr. Kooyers	Mr. Person	Mr. Watkins
Culver	Lamphere	Place	Wolcott
Ford, Sheridan	Oakley	Stevenson	Wood
Jerome, J. D.	O'Brien	Tufts	Wright
Jones	Palmer		

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Mr. Amon	Mr. Ford, R. L.	Mr. Miller	Mr. Sly
Anderson	Francis	Moore	Smith, F. A.
Averill	Gettel	Nank	Smith, S. J.
Biggerstaff	Green	Nelson	Snow
Chapin	Henry	Olmsted	Sours
Clark	Hinkley	Ormsbee	Stevens
Cowan	Hoffman	Petermann	Symonds
Croll	Hopkins	Pray	Van Antwerp
Daigneau	Hulse	Quintel	Vine

Mr. Daprato	Mr. Jerome, W. F.	Mr. Reed, C. J.	Mr. Ward
De Boer	Keen	Rice	Warner
Edwards	Kemmerling	Robertson	Weissert
Empson	Leland	Root	Wells
Evens	Lewis	Ross	Whiteley
Ewing	McMillan	Schmidt	Wieland
Flowers	Martin	Sherman	Wiley
Follett	Matthews	Shields	Speaker
Foote			

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MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Lewis moved to reconsider the vote by which the House on Friday, February 26, adopted House resolution No. 35.

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the Auditor General be and is hereby requested to furnish, at his earliest convenience, to this House a complete and detailed statement of the entire costs to this State of the several suits in the State and Federal courts during the last ten years, wherein the State has sought to compel the railroad companies to pay their taxes as assessed.

Such statement shall contain the items of special attorney hire, court costs, witness and appraiser's fees, and all other expenses contracted and paid, excepting the regular maintenance expense of the Attorney General's office.

Such statement shall also contain a list of the penalties taxed against and paid by said railroad companies, as well as the sums of taxed costs paid by the defendants, so that the actual loss to the State, by reason of these suits, may be ascertained.

The motion prevailed.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,
Mr. Lewis withdrew the resolution.

GENERAL ORDERS OF THE DAY.

Mr. Foote moved that the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole on the general orders.

The motion prevailed.

The Speaker called Mr. Foote to the chair.

After a time spent in the consideration of bills upon the general orders, the committee rose, and, through its chairman, made a report recommending the passage, without amendment, of the following entitled bills:

House bill No. 114 (file No. 69), entitled

A bill to authorize the board of supervisors of each county to receive, appropriate and raise money by tax for the purpose of encouraging and improving agriculture within the county by cooperating with the Michigan Agricultural College or the United States Department of Agriculture, in employing a county agricultural agent.

House bill No. 98 (file No. 70), entitled

A bill to prevent unlawful discrimination in the purchase for resale

or manufacture of wheat, oats, corn, rye, barley, clover seed, beans, hay or potatoes, and to provide a punishment for the same.

Senate bill No. 111 (file No. 80), entitled

A bill to amend section 20 of Act No. 173 of the Public Acts of the State of Michigan for the year 1913, entitled "An act to establish a farm colony for the humane, curative, scientific and economical treatment of epileptic persons, exclusive of insane and idiotic persons, to be known as the 'Michigan Farm Colony for Epileptics,' to regulate the procedure for admission thereto and to provide for the management and control thereof and making an appropriation therefor."

Senate bill No. 103 (file No. 75), entitled

A bill to amend section 31 of Act 173 of the Public Acts for the year 1913, entitled "An act to establish a farm colony for the humane, curative, scientific and economical treatment of epileptic persons, exclusive of insane and idiotic persons, to be known as the 'Michigan Farm Colony for Epileptics,' to regulate the procedure for admission thereto and to provide for the management and control thereof and making an appropriation therefor."

The bills were placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

By unanimous consent

Mr. Warner made written request for the printing of

House bill No. 283, entitled

A bill to provide a method of voting at any general, special or primary election by electors in the actual military service of the United States or of this State, or in the army and navy thereof in the time of war, insurrection or rebellion, by members of the Legislature while in attendance at any session of the Legislature, by students while in attendance at any institution of learning, and by commercial travelers absent from their place of residence upon the day of any general, special or primary election; to provide for the time of holding primary elections, caucuses or conventions for the nominations of candidates; to provide for the time of printing official ballots and to repeal all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith.

The request was referred to the Committee on Printing.

Mr. Shields moved that the House adjourn.

The motion prevailed, the time being 3:16 o'clock p. m.

The Speaker declared the House adjourned until tomorrow at 2:00 o'clock p. m.

CHARLES S. PIERCE,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.

THIRTY-SEVENTH DAY.

Lansing, Wednesday, March 3.

2:00 o'clock p. m.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

Religious exercises were conducted by Rev. William F. Jerome, of St. Peter's Episcopal Church, of Hillsdale.

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk, who announced that a quorum was present.

Messrs. Bosch, Haviland, Koehler, Martz, Penney and Woodruff were absent with leave.

Messrs. Gayde, Green, Lamphere and Olmsted were absent without leave.

Mr. Whiteley moved that an indefinite leave of absence be granted to Mr. Green.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Wieland moved that the other absentees without leave be excused from today's session.

The motion prevailed.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

Mr. Watkins presented

Petition No. 641.

Petition of E. A. Mason and 44 other citizens of Grand Rapids, Kent county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Sutton presented

Petition No. 642.

Petition of Frank B. DeVine and 30 other citizens of Ann Arbor, Washtenaw county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Ashley presented

Petition No. 643.

Petition of C. E. Blessed and 7 other citizens of Detroit, Wayne county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Chapin presented

Petition No. 644.

Petition of George Hunter and 14 other citizens of Ellsworth, Antrim county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Kemmerling presented

Petition No. 645.

Petition of F. P. Staner and 42 other citizens of Rockwood, Wayne county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Kemmerling presented

Petition No. 646.

Petition of M. J. Nadeau and 10 other citizens of Monroe, Monroe county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. McMillan presented

Petition No. 647.

Petition of James C. Chase and 19 other citizens of Charlevoix county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Schmidt presented

Petition No. 648.

Protest of U. S. Holdridge and 14 other citizens of Osceola county, against any increase in the rate of passenger fares charged by the railroads of the State.

The protest was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Schmidt presented

Petition No. 649.

Resolutions endorsed by Fred Hammer and 23 other members of

Richmond Grange No. 878 of Osceola county, protesting against any increase in the rate of passenger fares charged by the railroads of the State.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Frank A. Smith presented

Petition No. 650.

Protest of Chester A. Pedley and 7 other citizens of Cadillac, Wexford county, against any increase in the rate of passenger fares charged by the railroads of the State.

The protest was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Stevens presented

Petition No. 651.

Protest of G. E. Calvin and 62 other citizens of Kalkaska county, against the passage of any law imposing burdensome conditions or high license for selling domestic and stock remedies, spices, extracts, etc., by retail from wagons.

The protest was referred to the Committee on Public Health.

Mr. Clark presented

Petition No. 652.

Petition of W. J. McConnell and 64 other citizens of Owosso, Shiawassee county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Leland presented

Petition No. 653.

Petition of R. E. Burney and 7 other citizens of Hilliards, Allegan county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Vine presented

Petition No. 654.

Petition of Archie Sewell and 32 other citizens of Lenawee county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Daigneau presented

Petition No. 655.

Petition of A. E. Marsh and 19 other citizens of Benton Harbor, Berrien county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Daigneau presented

Petition No. 656.

Petition of W. A. D. Rose and 43 other citizens of Berrien county, re-

questing the passage of House bill No. 79, relative to prohibiting the hunting of rabbits with ferrets and guinea pigs.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Horticulture.

Mr. Wright presented

Petition No. 657.

Petition of H. H. Keller and 9 other citizens of Milan, Washtenaw county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Wright presented

Petition No. 658.

Petition of G. Weiley and 14 other citizens of Ypsilanti, Washtenaw county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Wright presented

Petition No. 659.

Petition of E. A. Clark and 22 other members of the full paid fire department of Ann Arbor, favoring an amendment to the law relative to fixing leaves of absence of men in fire departments, so as to include all full paid departments.

The petition was referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Lewis presented

Petition No. 660.

Petition of A. W. Hibbard and 4 other citizens of Bennington, Shiawassee county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Lewis presented

Petition No. 661.

Petition of Harry Nash and 52 other citizens of Paw Paw, VanBuren county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Lewis presented

Petition No. 662.

Protest of Leslie Scott and 28 other citizens of Arlington township, VanBuren county, against any change in the rate of passenger fares charged by the railroads of the State.

The protest was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Lewis presented

Petition No. 663.

Petition of Geo. A. Dillenbeck and 36 other fruit growers of Lawrence township, VanBuren county, requesting the passage of House bill No.

126, relative to prohibiting and preventing adulteration, fraud and deception in the manufacture and sale of articles of food and drink.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Horticulture.

Mr. Lewis presented

Petition No. 664.

Petition of Geo. E. Harris and 34 other fruit growers of Lawrence township, VanBuren county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 79, relative to prohibiting the hunting of rabbits with ferrets and guinea pigs.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Horticulture.

Mr. Lewis presented

Petition No. 665.

Resolutions endorsed by the Rod and Gun Club of South-Western Michigan, in convention assembled at Hartford, VanBuren county, relative to certain recommendations in favor of an amendment to the present game laws.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Lewis presented

Petition No. 666.

Petition of E. A. Chase and 64 other citizens and sportsmen of Glendale, VanBuren county, in favor of the present deer hunting law.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Lewis presented

Petition No. 667.

Petition of Chester H. Merrifield and 74 other citizens of Bloomingdale, VanBuren county, in favor of the present deer hunting law.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Anderson presented

Petition No. 668.

Petition of Robert Wiley and 13 other citizens of Leelanau county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 126, relative to prohibiting and preventing adulteration, fraud and deception in the manufacture and sale of articles of food and drink.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Horticulture.

Mr. Anderson presented

Petition No. 669.

Petition of Earl Warwick and 11 other citizens of Leelanau county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 79, relative to prohibiting the hunting of rabbits with ferrets and guinea pigs.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Horticulture.

Mr. Anderson presented

Petition No. 670.

Petition of Leo H. Stacey and 48 other citizens of Benzie county, favoring the passage of Senate bill No. 8 (file No. 8), with an amendment

thereto, providing for the spearing of suckers, mullets and red sides during the months of April and May of each year.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Fish and Fisheries.

Mr. Samuel J. Smith presented

Petition No. 671.

Petition of C. J. Dietz and 1 other citizen of Mackinaw City, Cheboygan county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Frank A. Smith presented

Petition No. 672.

Protest of Jay Smith and 12 other citizens of Yuma, Wexford county, against any change in the rate of passenger fares charged by the railroads of the State.

The protest was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Van Antwerp presented

Petition No. 673.

Protest of A. D. Brown and 16 other members of Kent City Grange No. 1574, of Kent City, Kent county, favoring an increased rate of passenger fares if actually needed.

The protest was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Van Antwerp presented

Petition No. 674.

Protest of Courtland Grange No. 563, of Kent county, against any change in the rate of passenger fares charged by the railroads of the State.

The protest was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Van Antwerp presented

Petition No. 675.

Petition of E. A. Gibson and 9 other citizens of Belmont, Kent county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Education, by Mr. Symonds, Chairman, reported Senate bill No. 9 (file No. 9), entitled

A bill to amend section 15 of Act No. 194 of the Public Acts of 1889, entitled "An act to revise and consolidate the laws relative to the State Board of Education," being section 1826 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by Act No. 125 of the Public Acts of 1907.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Education, by Mr. Symonds, Chairman, reported Senate bill No. 48 (file No. 61), entitled

A bill to require plans for all school buildings and for additions to school buildings, the cost of which shall exceed three hundred dollars, to be approved by the superintendent of public instruction and the secretary of the state board of health, and to authorize the condemnation of school houses under certain conditions.

With the following amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in and that when so amended the bill pass:

1. Amend by striking out of line 8 of section 2 the period and inserting in lieu thereof a comma.

2. Amend by striking out of line 8 of section 2 the words "Upon the expiration of sixty days after such notice has been served" and inserting in lieu thereof the following: "said notice to be given at least six months preceding the first day of August. On the first day of August following such notice."

3. Amend by striking out of line 17 of section 2 the words "upon the expiration of sixty days."

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the amendments to the bill recommended by the committee,

The amendments were adopted.

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Roads and Bridges, by Mr. Daprato, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 55 (file No. 18), entitled

A bill to provide for the registration, identification, and regulation of motor vehicles operated upon the public highways of this State and of the operators of such vehicles, and to provide for levying specific taxes upon such vehicles so operated and registering certain operators thereof, and to provide for the disposition of such funds, and to provide for other means of taxation of motor vehicles so operated, and to repeal all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith or contrary hereto.

With the following amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in and that when so amended the bill pass:

1. Amend by inserting in line 4 of section 1, after the word "business," the words "also all motor vehicles including trucks owned and operated by municipalities not used for hire or gain: Provided, That the same shall be designated by proper signs in which department of said municipality said trucks are employed."

2. Amend by inserting in line 5 of section 13, after the word "number," the words "or numbers."

3. Amend by inserting in line 15 of section 13, after the word "number," the words "or numbers."

4. Amend by striking out all of section 28.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the amendments to the bill recommended by the committee,

The amendments were adopted.

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Military Affairs, by Mr. Culver, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 274, entitled

A bill to amend Act No. 7 of the Public Acts of 1912, Second Extra Session, entitled "An act to provide for the erection of armories, and make an appropriation therefor," by adding thereto another section to stand as section 5, relative to expenditures by the State in certain cases.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The Committee on Michigan State Prison, by Mr. Sutton, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 36, entitled

A bill to make an appropriation for the Michigan State Prison at Jackson, Michigan, for general repairs and special purposes for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

With the following amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in and that when so amended the bill pass:

1. Amend by striking out of line 1 of section 1, after the word "hundred," the words "seventy-four," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "fifty-nine."

2. Amend by striking out of line 6 of section 1, the words "ninety-two," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "seventy-seven."

3. Amend by striking out of line 3 of section 3, the words "seventy-four," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "fifty-nine."

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the amendments to the bill recommended by the committee,

The amendments were adopted.

The bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The Committee on Michigan State Prison, by Mr. Sutton, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 268, entitled

A bill authorizing the Board of Control of the Michigan State Prison to sell and dispose of certain lands situate within the county of Jackson and providing for the re-appropriation of the proceeds thereof to purchase prison farms.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The Committee on Michigan State prison, by Mr. Sutton, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 53, entitled

A bill to provide a tax to meet the amounts disbursed by the State

for the current expenses of the Michigan State Prison, the State House of Correction and Branch Prison in the Upper Peninsula and the Michigan Reformatory.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The Committee on Michigan State Prison, by Mr. Sutton, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 101, entitled

A bill to empower and direct the Board of State Auditors to examine and audit all bills and accounts of the City of Jackson for water furnished the Michigan State Prison from January 1, 1897, to January 1, 1915, and to provide for the payment of such bills and accounts when audited.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The Committee on Supplies and Expenditures, by Mr. Amon, Chairman, reported the following accounts, with itemized bills attached, and recommended that vouchers be drawn in payment thereof:

C. W. Smith, Speaker, to stamps used in mailing out letters and documents, as per House Resolution No. 24....	\$12 48
C. S. Pierce, Clerk, to stamps used in mailing, officially, letters and printed matter	10 00
Total	<hr/> \$22 48

The report was accepted, the accounts allowed, and the bills ordered paid.

The Committee on Judiciary, by Mr. Flowers, Chairman, reported House bill No. 265, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of Act No. 190 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act in relation to the distribution of the Compiled Laws of 1897, and of the reports and decisions of the Supreme Court."

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The Committee on Judiciary, by Mr. Flowers, Chairman, reported House bill No. 258, entitled

A bill to establish the validity and to provide for the administration and control of gifts, grants, devises and bequests, in trust, for religious, educational, charitable or benevolent purposes, and to establish and confirm the jurisdiction of probate courts over such trusts.

With the following amendment thereto, recommending that the amendment be concurred in and that when so amended the bill pass:

1. Amend by inserting after the title the words "The People of the State of Michigan enact."

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the amendment to the bill recommended by the committee,

The amendment was adopted.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Judiciary, by Mr. Flowers, Chairman, reported House bill No. 266, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of Act 87 of the Public Acts of 1891, entitled "An act to provide for appropriation of money to pay the salary of the Attorney General, clerks and certain expenses in such department, and to provide the manner and condition of payment, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts contravening the provisions of this act," as amended by Act 109 of the Public Acts of 1911, the same being section 115 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The Committee on Judiciary, by Mr. Flowers, Chairman, reported House bill No. 203, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of Act No. 232 of the Public Acts of 1903, entitled "An act to revise and consolidate the laws, providing for the incorporation of manufacturing and mercantile companies or any union of the two, and for the incorporation of companies for carrying on any other lawful business, except such as are precluded from organization under this act by its express provisions, and to prescribe the powers and fix the duties and liabilities of such corporations," by adding a new section thereto to stand as section 1 (a).

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Judiciary, by Mr. Flowers, Chairman, reported House bill No. 231, entitled

A bill to repeal Act No. 186 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to provide and establish a court of domestic relations in each county of this State, which has a population of upwards of two hundred fifty thousand, to define its jurisdiction and for the purpose of this act to provide for additional circuit judges in such counties" approved May 6, 1913.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Judiciary, by Mr. Flowers, Chairman, reported House bill No. 208, entitled

A bill to provide for certain requirements in deeds and instruments,

affecting real estate in which there are male grantors to entitle same to record.

With the following amendment thereto, recommending that the amendment be concurred in and that when so amended the bill pass:

Amend by striking out of line 1 of section 1 the word "hereafter" and inserting in line 2 of section 1, after the word "estate," the words "hereafter executed."

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the amendment to the bill recommended by the committee,

The amendment was adopted.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Private Corporations, by Mr. Foote, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 128, entitled

A bill to amend section 7 of Act No. 171 of the Public Acts of 1903, entitled "An act for the incorporation of associations not for pecuniary profit."

With the following amendment thereto, recommending that the amendment be concurred in and that when so amended the bill pass:

Amend by striking out in section seven all after the words "new corporations," and substitute therefor the following "not organized for profit and having no capital stock, (including corporations organized for the purpose of carrying on a mutual telephone business) and excepting religious organizations which shall be organized under this act."

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the amendment to the bill recommended by the committee,

The amendment was adopted.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

A message was received from the Senate informing the House that the Senate had concurred in the adoption of

House concurrent resolution No. 14.

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That the State Librarian is hereby requested and directed to deliver to each member and officer of the Legislature one set of the Proceedings and Debates of the Constitutional Convention of 1907; and also to each member and officer one manual of the Constitutional Convention.

A message was received from the Senate returning

House bill No. 66 (file No. 15), entitled

A bill to amend section 84 of Act No. 206 of the Public Acts of 1893, being "An act to provide for the assessment of property and the levy and collection of taxes thereon, and for the collection of taxes hereto-

fore and hereafter levied; making such taxes a lien on the lands taxed; establishing and continuing such lien; providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes; and for the inspection and disposition of land bid off to the State and not redeemed or purchased; and to repeal Act 200 of the Public Acts of 1891 and all other acts and parts of acts in any wise contravening any of the provisions of this act," being section 3907 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by Act 262 of the Public Acts of 1899.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill.

The bill was referred to the Clerk for enrollment printing and presentation to the Governor.

A message was received from the Senate returning
House bill No. 64 (file No. 14), entitled

A bill to amend section 35 of Act 206 of the Public Acts of 1893, being "An act to provide for assessment of property and levy and collection of taxes thereon; and for collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied; making such taxes a lien on the lands taxed; establishing and continuing such lien; providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes, and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the State and not redeemed or purchased; and to repeal Act No. 200 of the Public Acts of 1891, and all other acts and parts of acts in any wise contravening any of the provisions of this act," being section 3858 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill.

The bill was referred to the Clerk for enrollment printing and presentation to the Governor.

A message was received from the Senate returning with amendments
House bill No. 65 (file No. 5), entitled

A bill to amend the title, and to add a new section to stand as section 2, of Act No. 311 of the Public Acts of 1905, entitled "An act relative to the cost of bonds to be furnished by State officers," as last amended by Act No. 82 of the Public Acts of 1913.

The amendments adopted by the Senate are as follows:

1. By striking out of line 2, section 2, the words "auditor general" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "secretary of state."

2. By striking out of line 5, section 2, the words "auditor general" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "secretary of state, his deputy or any employe connected with his office, required by law to file a bond."

3. By striking out of line 5, section 2, the word "secretary" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "auditor."

4. By striking out of line 6, section 2, the words "of state" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "general."

5. By striking out of line 6, section 2, the words "auditor general" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "secretary of state."

6. By striking out of line 7, section 2, the words "secretary of state" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "auditor general."

The question being on concurring in the amendments made to the bill by the Senate,

The amendments were concurred in, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Gettel	Mr. O'Brien	Mr. Snow
Averill	Griggs	Ormsbee	Sours
Biggerstaff	Henry	Palmer	Stevens
Chapin	Hinkley	Person	Stevenson
Clark	Hoffman	Petermann	Sutton
Cowan	Hopkins	Place	Symonds
Croll	Hulse	Quintel	Tufts
Culver	Jerome, J. D.	Read, Thos.	Vine
Daigneau	Jerome, W. F.	Reed, C. J.	Ward
Daprato	Jones	Rice	Warner
De Boer	Keen	Robertson	Watkins
Edwards	Kemmerling	Rogers	Weissert
Empson	Kooyers	Root	Wells
Evens	Leland	Ross	Whiteley
Ewing	Lewis	Schmidt	Wieland
Flowers	McMillan	Sherman	Wiley
Follett	Martin	Shields	Wolcott
Foote	Matthews	Sly	Wood
Ford, R. L.	Miller	Smith, F. A.	Wright
Ford, Sheridan	Nank	Smith, Newel	Speaker
Francis	Nelson	Smith, S. J.	

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The bill was referred to the Clerk for enrollment printing and presentation to the Governor.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. DeBoer introduced
House bill No. 285, entitled

A bill to amend sections 9, 10 and 11 of Act No. 285 of the Public Acts of 1909, as amended by Act No. 220, Public Acts of 1911, and section 1 of Act No. 200 of the Public Acts of 1905.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Labor.

Mr. DeBoer introduced
House bill No. 286, entitled

A bill to amend section 10 of Act No. 285 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to provide for the creation of a Department of Labor; to prescribe its powers and duties; to regulate the employment of labor; to make an appropriation for the maintenance of such department, and to prescribe penalties for the violation of this act," as amended by Act No. 220 of the Public Acts of 1911.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Labor.

Mr. Palmer introduced
House bill No. 287, entitled

A bill to compel publicity of accounts between the managers and officers of all corporations, societies and voluntary associations organized under Act No. 119 of the Public Acts of 1893, as amended, and their

members, and for the accounting for all moneys paid thereto by their members, and to provide a penalty for the violation hereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Insurance.

Mr. Palmer introduced

House bill No. 288, entitled

A bill to protect the members of all corporations, societies and voluntary associations, formed or organized and carried on for the mutual benefit of their members, and their beneficiaries, under Act No. 119 of the Public Acts of 1893 as amended, and Act No. 169 of the Public Acts of 1913.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Insurance.

Mr. Daigneau introduced

House bill No. 289, entitled

A bill to amend section 18, of Act No. 279 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation of cities and for changing their boundaries," as last amended by Act No. 5 of the Public Acts of 1913.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on City Corporations.

Mr. Stevenson introduced

House bill No. 290, entitled

A bill to provide that no person who is an incumbent of any public office or an employe in any public office shall be eligible for election as a member of a county, township, city or ward committee of any political party, or to serve on any board of registration or election or as a delegate to any county convention of any political party in this State; and to repeal all acts or parts of acts contravening the provisions of this act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Elections.

Mr. Martin introduced

House bill No. 291, entitled

A bill to amend section 7 of chapter 1 of Act No. 283 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to revise, consolidate and add to the laws relating to the establishment, opening, improvement, maintenance and use of the public highways and private roads; the condemnation of property and gravel therefor; the building, repairing and preservation of bridges; setting and protecting shade trees; drainage; cutting weeds and brush within this State, and providing for the election and defining the powers, duties, and compensation of State, county, township and district highway officials."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Roads and Bridges.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 44 (file No. 61), entitled

A bill to regulate and license the fishing with any kind of apparatus for the purpose of taking clams, mollusks or pearls in any of the inland waters of this State, and to provide an open and closed season for taking same.

Was read a third time and the question being on the passage,

Mr. Warner moved to amend the bill

By striking out of line 2 of section 1, the words "to make use of any kind of apparatus or" and inserting in line 3 of section 1, after the word "pearls," the words "by means of any kind of apparatus or" and after the word "manner" in line 3, insert the word "whatsoever."

The motion prevailed and the amendment was adopted, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor.

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Francis	Mr. Nelson	Mr. Smith, S. J.
Anderson	Gettel	Oakley	Snow
Ashley	Griggs	O'Brien	Sours
Averill	Henry	Ormsbee	Stevens
Biggerstaff	Hinkley	Palmer	Stevenson
Chapin	Hoffman	Person	Sutton
Clark	Hopkins	Petermann	Symonds
Cowan	Hulse	Place	Tufts
Croll	Jerome, J. D.	Quintel	Van Antwerp
Culver	Jerome, W. F.	Read, Thos.	Vine
Daigneau	Jones	Reed, C. J.	Ward
Daprato	Keen	Rice	Warner
De Boer	Kemmerling	Robertson	Watkins
Edwards	Kooyers	Rogers	Weissert
Empson	Leland	Root	Wells
Evens	Lewis	Ross	Whiteley
Ewing	McMillan	Schmidt	Wiley
Flowers	Martin	Sherman	Wolcott
Follett	Matthews	Shields	Wood
Foote	Miller	Sly	Wright
Ford, R. L.	Moore	Smith, F. A.	Speaker
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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

Senate bill No. 111 (file No. 80), entitled

A bill to amend section 20 of Act No. 173 of the Public Acts of the State of Michigan for the year 1913, entitled "An act to establish a farm colony for the humane, curative, scientific and economical treatment of epileptic persons, exclusive of insane and idiotic persons, to be known as the 'Michigan Farm Colony for Epileptics,' to regulate the procedure for admission thereto and to provide for the management and control thereof and making an appropriation therefor."

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Gettel	Mr. Ormsbee	Mr. Snow
Anderson	Griggs	Palmer	Sours
Averill	Henry	Person	Stevens
Biggerstaff	Hinkley	Petermann	Stevenson
Chapin	Hoffman	Place	Sutton
Clark	Hopkins	Pray	Symonds
Cowan	Hulse	Quintel	Tufts
Croll	Jerome, J. D.	Read, Thos.	Van Antwerp
Culver	Jerome, W. F.	Reed, C. J.	Vine
Daigneau	Jones	Rice	Ward
Daprato	Keen	Robertson	Warner
De Boer	Kemmerling	Rogers	Watkins
Edwards	Kooyers	Root	Weissert
Empson	Leland	Ross	Wells
Evens	Lewis	Schmidt	Whiteley
Ewing	Martin	Sherman	Wieland
Flowers	Matthews	Shields	Wiley
Follett	Miller	Sly	Wolcott
Foote	Moore	Smith, F. A.	Wood
Ford, R. L.	Oakley	Smith, Newel	Wright
Ford, Sheridan	O'Brien	Smith, S. J.	Speaker
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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

Senate bill No. 103 (file No. 75), entitled

A bill to amend section 31 of Act No. 173 of the Public Acts for the year 1913, entitled "An act to establish a farm colony for the humane, curative, scientific and economical treatment of epileptic persons, exclusive of insane and idiotic persons, to be known as the 'Michigan Farm Colony for Epileptics,' to regulate the procedure for admission thereto, and to provide for the management and control thereof, and making an appropriation therefor."

Was read a third time and, the question being on its passage,

Mr. Watkins moved to amend the bill

By striking out of lines 11, 18 and 21 of section 31 the word "inmate" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "patient."

The motion prevailed and the amendment was adopted, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor.

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Gettel	Mr. O'Brien	Mr. Snow
Anderson	Griggs	Ormsbee	Sours
Averill	Henry	Palmer	Stevens
Biggerstaff	Hinkley	Person	Stevenson
Chapin	Hoffman	Petermann	Sutton
Clark	Hopkins	Place	Symonds
Cowan	Hulse	Pray	Tufts

Mr. Croll	Mr. Jerome, J. D.	Mr. Quintel	Mr. Van Antwerp
Culver	Jerome, W. F.	Read, Thos.	Vine
Daigneau	Jones	Reed, C. J.	Ward
Daprato	Keen	Rice	Warner
De Boer	Kooyers	Robertson	Watkins
Edwards	Leland	Rogers	Weissert
Empson	Lewis	Root	Wells
Evans	McMillan	Schmidt	Whiteley
Ewing	Martin	Sherman	Wieland
Flowers	Matthews	Shields	Wiley
Follett	Miller	Sly	Wolcott
Ford, R. L.	Moore	Smith, F. A.	Wood
Ford, Sheridan	Nank	Smith, Newel	Wright
Francis	Oakley	Smith, S. J.	Speaker

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. James D. Jerome offered the following resolution:

House resolution No. 36.

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That rule 58 be amended to read as follows:

Rule 58. The regular order to be taken by bills introduced in the house shall be as follows:

1. Notice of introduction (if a bill proposing an amendment to an act of incorporation).

2. Introduction, first and second readings of title and reference to a committee by the speaker.

3. Report by the committee, and placing on the general orders (if an appropriation bill, or one involving the expenditure of money from the general fund of the State treasury, reference to the Committee on Ways and Means, report by that committee and then placing on general orders).

4. Consideration in the committee of the whole in order of reference.

5. Report by the committee of the whole and placing on order of third reading of bills.

6. Third reading at length and vote on passage.

7. Transmission to senate (if passed).

8. Return by the senate and, if not amended by senate, reference to the clerk for enrollment printing; if amended by the Senate, laying over one day, and consideration the following day under the same order of business (Messages from the Senate); and (if amendments are concurred in) reference to the clerk for enrollment printing.

9. Report by clerk of enrollment printing and presentation to the governor.

Senate bills shall, as far as possible, take the same course as house bills.

All resolutions proposing amendments to the constitution shall take the same course as bills.

Nothing in this rule contained shall be construed to prevent a majority of the members-elect of the house from discharging a committee

from the further consideration of any measure. A notice of at least one day shall be given of a motion to discharge any such committee, said notice to be in writing and entered in the journal. In case a committee of the house is discharged from the further consideration of a bill, the bill shall be printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general orders.

The notice above mentioned may, if the motion made thereunder does not prevail, be offered again on succeeding days of the same legislative session, but not upon the same day.

The Speaker announced that in accordance with Rule 71 the resolution would lie over five days.

Mr. Jerome moved that the resolution be referred to the Committee on Rules and Joint Rules.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Vine made written request for the printing of
House bill No. 271, entitled

A bill to make estates by entirety liable for the joint obligations of husband and wife.

The request was referred to the Committee on Printing.

GENERAL ORDERS OF THE DAY.

Mr. Petermann moved that the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole on the general orders.

The motion prevailed.

The Speaker called Mr. Petermann to the chair.

After a time spent in the consideration of bills upon the general orders, the committee rose, and, through its chairman, made a report recommending the passage, without amendment, of the following entitled bill:

Senate bill No 112 (file No. 81). entitled

A bill to amend section 15 of Act 173 of the Public Acts of the State of Michigan for the year 1913, entitled "An act to establish a farm colony for the humane, curative, scientific and economical treatment of epileptic persons, exclusive of insane and idiotic persons, to be known as the 'Michigan Farm Colony for Epileptics,' to regulate the procedure for admission thereto and to provide for the management and control thereof and making an appropriation therefor."

The bill was placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

Mr. Flowers moved that the House return to the order of Messages from the Senate.

The motion prevailed.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting Senate concurrent resolution No. 12.

Whereas, The frequent floods of the Mississippi river caused by waters from thirty-one states, embracing more than 41 per cent of the total area of the United States, result in great loss of human lives in portions of the States of Illinois, Tennessee, Kentucky, Mississippi, Missouri, Arkansas and Louisiana, and large money losses, not only in such afflicted territory, but in other portions of the nation, and

Whereas, It has been declared by every member of the engineer corps of the United States army who has dealt with such floods, by the Mississippi River Commission and by other commissions appointed by Congress that such floods can be prevented at reasonable cost, and

Whereas, The work of such flood prevention has been going on for many years in the least economical way and over two-thirds of its cost has been borne by the damaged sections who can no longer cope with this giant problem without effective aid from the national government, and

Whereas, All political parties have declared in their campaign platforms that flood control of the Mississippi river is a national duty; therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring), that the Congress of the United States be, and is hereby requested to fulfill this national duty at its next session and to enact such legislation as shall provide a separate and comprehensive plan for the prevention of such floods without delay; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be sent to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, to the President of the Senate of the Congress of the United States and to each member of the Senate and House of Representatives of this State in Congress.

The question being on concurring in the adoption of the resolution, The House concurred.

Mr. Schmidt moved that the House adjourn.

The motion prevailed, the time being 3:40 o'clock p. m.

The Speaker declared the House adjourned until tomorrow at 2:00 o'clock p. m.

CHARLES S. PIERCE,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.

THIRTY-EIGHTH DAY.

Lansing, Thursday, March 4.

2:00 o'clock p. m.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

Religious exercises were conducted by Rev. Richard Spetnagle, of the Franklin Ave. Presbyterian Church, of Lansing.

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk, who announced that a quorum was present.

Messrs. Green, Koehler, Martz, Penney and Woodruff were absent with leave.

Mr. Gayde was absent without leave.

Mr. Newel Smith moved that an indefinite leave of absence be granted to Mr. Gayde.

The motion prevailed.

Messrs. Evens, Stevens and Keen asked and obtained leaves of absence from tomorrow's session.

The Speaker asked and obtained leave of absence until Tuesday's session.

Mr. Haviland asked and obtained an indefinite leave of absence.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

Mr. Root presented

Petition No. 676.

Petition of Wm. Shepherd and 22 other citizens of Martin, Allegan

county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. William F. Jerome presented

Petition No. 677.

Protest of George R. Johnson and 15 other barbers of Hillsdale, Hillsdale county, against the abolishing of the State Board of Examiners of Barbers.

The protest was referred to the Committee on Public Health.

Mr. Kooyers presented

Petition No. 678.

Resolutions adopted by the Board of Censors for the City of Holland, Ottawa county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 244, relative to providing a State board to censor motion picture films.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on Labor.

Mr. Sly presented

Petition No. 679.

Petition of Alex Murphy and 10 other citizens of Soo Junction, Luce county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the Upper Peninsula.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Griggs presented

Petition No. 680.

Petition of Ross Stockwell and 9 other citizens of Oakland county, requesting the passage of a deer hunting law providing for the hunting of deer in the month of November only, and the issuing of a hunter's license good for 20 days of said month; the killing of but one deer of either sex, and the use of any kind of a gun by hunters.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Rice presented

Petition No. 681.

Protest of C. E. Emmous and 508 other citizens of Newaygo county, against the passage of Senate bill No. 8 (file No. 8), relative to the protection of fish and regulating fishing in the inland waters of this State.

The protest was referred to the Committee on Fish and Fisheries.

Mr. Rice presented

Petition No. 682.

Petition of J. Andrew Gerber and 112 other citizens of Fremont, Newaygo county, requesting the passage of a bill prohibiting the spearing of fish in the inland waters of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Fish and Fisheries.

Mr. Rice presented

Petition No. 683.

Petition of A. E. Cook and 79 other citizens of Newaygo county, in favor of the present deer hunting law.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Matthews presented

Petition No. 684.

Petition of M. D. Crose and 6 other citizens of Three Rivers, St. Joseph county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Daigneau presented

Petition No. 685.

Petition of A. Danforth and 24 other citizens of St. Joseph, Berrien county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Shields presented

Petition No. 686.

Petition of John Geo. McFarlane and 110 other citizens of Houghton county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the Upper Peninsula.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. William F. Jerome presented

Petition No. 687.

Petition of Fred Rice and 16 other citizens of Jonesville, Hillsdale county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Amon presented

Petition No. 688.

Petition of Barney Laser and 18 other citizens of Big Rapids, Mecosta county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

The Speaker presented

Petition No. 689.

Petition of P. M. Arms and 9 other members of Mayfield Grange No. 756, of Grand Traverse county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 142, entitled "A bill to provide for the simplifying of the transfer of real estate."

The petition was referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Rice presented

Petition No. 690.

Petition of John Bailey and 50 other citizens of the village of Newaygo, Newaygo county, requesting the passage of a bill exempting incorporated villages from any liability for township taxes.

The petition was referred to the Committee on General Taxation.

Mr. Lewis presented

Petition No. 691.

Resolutions adopted by Keeler Grange No. 1531, Van Buren county, favoring the passage of the following bills: The Torrens tax bill, the Lewis mortgage tax bill, the live stock shipping bill, and bills providing for the more stringent regulation of the liquor traffic, and protesting against bonding for highway purposes.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on General Taxation.

Mr. Newel Smith presented

Petition No. 692.

Petition of S. F. Foster and 74 other citizens of Pompeii, Gratiot county, in favor of the present deer hunting law.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Stevenson presented

Petition No. 693.

Petition of F. J. Schroeder and 9 other citizens of Detroit, Wayne county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Wolcott presented

Petition No. 694.

Protest of R. W. Porter and 17 other citizens of Calhoun county, against the passage of any law imposing burdensome conditions or high license for selling domestic and stock remedies, spices, extracts, etc., by retail from wagons.

The protest was referred to the Committee on Public Health.

Mr. Warner presented

Petition No. 695.

Petition of L. L. Forsythe and 28 other teachers of Ionia, Ionia county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 64, relative to a retirement fund for teachers.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Frank A. Smith presented

Petition No. 696.

Protest of S. Buckner and 33 other citizens of Luther, Lake county, against any change in the rate of passenger fares charged by the railroads of the State.

The protest was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Haviland presented

Petition No. 697.

Petition of L. I. Wicker and 69 other citizens of Marine City, St. Clair county, requesting the passage of a bill, providing for the examination, regulation, licensing and registration of chiropractors; for the appointment of a State Board of Registration in Chiropractic.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Public Health.

Mr. Haviland presented

Petition No. 698.

Petition of C. R. Hawley and 66 other citizens of the State, in favor of the present deer hunting law.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Haviland presented

Petition No. 699.

Petition of K. Brake and 899 other citizens of St. Clair county, requesting the passage of a bill permitting the spearing of fish through the ice during the months of December, January, February and March of each year, in River St. Clair, Lake St. Clair, and all channels running into said lake.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Fish and Fisheries.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY CLERK OF PRINTING OF BILLS.

The Clerk announced that the following named bills had been printed and placed upon the files of the members Thursday, March 4:

Senate bill No. 200 (file No. 149), entitled

A bill to amend the title and sections 1, 2 and 5 of Act 108 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to license and regulate the hunting, pursuing and killing of wild animals and wild birds protected by the laws of this State, except deer and fur bearing animals."

Senate bill No. 201 (file No. 150), entitled

A bill to amend section 38 of chapter 7 of Act No. 215 of the Public Acts of 1895, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation of cities of the fourth class," being compiler's section 3060 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

The Clerk announced the enrollment printing and the presentation to the Governor, on March 4, for his approval, of the following named bills:

House bill No. 74 (file No. 16), enrolled No. 3, entitled

A bill to amend Act 266 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to amend Act No. 283 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled 'An act to revise, consolidate and add to the laws relating to the establishment, opening, improvement, maintenance and use of the public highways and private roads, the condemnation of property and gravel therefor; the building, repairing and preservation of bridges, setting and protecting shade trees, drainage, cutting weeds and brush within this State, and providing for the election and defining the powers, duties and compensation of State, county, township and district highway officials,' approved June 2, 1909, by adding thereto a new chapter to be known as chapter 25, providing for the repair and improvement of highways by means of assessment of statute labor, for the election of overseers of highways, prescribing the qualifications and duties thereof, providing for carrying the same into effect, and prescribing the conditions under which the same shall supersede all provisions inconsistent therewith; and enabling townships to adopt or repeal the provisions hereof upon a referendum vote of a majority of the qualified voters voting thereon; providing for

assessments for highway purposes, for the performance of labor on highways and the commutation therefor, and to prescribe penalties, forfeitures and general duties of overseers." approved June 8, 1913, by amending sections 20, 22, 30 and 39 of said chapter 25, being said sections of said Act No. 266.

House bill No. 43 (file No. 11), enrolled No. 4, entitled

A bill to amend section 17 of Act No. 285 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to provide for the creation of a Department of Labor, to prescribe its powers and duties, to regulate the employment of labor; to make an appropriation for the maintenance of such department, and to prescribe penalties for the violation of this act," approved June 2, 1909.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Rules and Joint Rules, by Mr. Warner, Chairman, reported

House resolution No. 36.

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That rule 58 be amended to read as follows:

Rule 58. The regular order to be taken by bills introduced in the house shall be as follows:

1. Notice of introduction (if a bill proposing an amendment to an act of incorporation).

2. Introduction, first and second readings of title and reference to a committee by the speaker.

3. Report by the committee and placing on the general orders (if an appropriation bill, or one involving the expenditure of money from the general fund of the State treasury, reference to the Committee on Ways and Means, report by that committee and then placing on general orders.)

4. Consideration in the committee of the whole in order of reference.

5. Report by the committee of the whole and placing on order of third reading of bills.

6. Third reading at length and vote on passage.

7. Transmission to senate (if passed).

8. Return by the senate, and, if not amended by senate, reference to the clerk for enrollment printing; if amended by the senate, laying over one day, and consideration the following day under the same order of business (Messages from the Senate); and (if amendments are concurred in) reference to the clerk for enrollment printing.

9. Report by clerk of enrollment printing and presentation to the governor.

Senate bills shall, as far as possible, take the same course as house bills.

All resolutions proposing amendments to the constitution shall take the same course as bills.

Nothing in this rule contained shall be construed to prevent a majority of the members-elect of the house from discharging a committee from the further consideration of any measure. A notice of at least one day shall be given of a motion to discharge any such committee,

said notice to be in writing and entered in the journal. In case a committee of the house is discharged from the further consideration of a bill, the bill shall be printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general orders.

The notice above mentioned may, if the motion made thereunder does not prevail, be offered again on succeeding days of the same legislative session, but not upon the same day.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The Speaker announced that under Rule 71 the resolution would lie over four more days.

Mr. J. D. Jerome moved that Rule 71 be suspended.

The motion prevailed, two thirds of all the members present voting therefor.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

The resolution was adopted.

The Committee on Labor, by Mr. Oakley, Chairman, reported

Senate bill No. 163 (file No. 123), entitled

A bill to amend section 35 of Act No. 285 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to provide for the creation of a Department of Labor; to prescribe its powers and duties; to regulate the employment of labor; and to make an appropriation for the maintenance of such department, and to prescribe penalties for the violation of this act," as last amended by Act No. 191 of the Public Acts of 1911.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Labor, by Mr. Oakley, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 233, entitled

A bill to amend section 26 of Act 285 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to provide for the creation of a Department of Labor; to make an appropriation for the maintenance of such department and to prescribe penalties for the violation of this act."

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Ways and Means, by Mr. Hinkley, Chairman, reported

Senate bill No. 24 (file No. 22), entitled

A bill to provide for completing the records of plats in the office of the Auditor General by making an examination of all plats on file in the registers of deeds' offices in the several counties of this State, making tracings of all plats of record that are not of record in the office of the Auditor General, from which blue prints shall be made and filed in the office of the Auditor General, for the re-designation of captions of plats now on file for assessment purposes and making an appropriation therefor; and requiring county officers to furnish necessary information and certified copies of certain court orders.

With the following amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in and that when so amended the bill pass:

1. Amend by striking out of line 4 of section 5, the words "twenty-five thousand" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "fifteen thousand."

2. Amend by striking out of line 2 of section 6 the words "twenty-five thousand" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "fifteen thousand."

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the amendments to the bill recommended by the committee,

The amendments were adopted.

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Ways and Means, by Mr. Hinkley, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 201 (file No. 63), entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the Michigan Agricultural College for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1916, to meet a deficiency in the current expense or aid fund for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1914, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Roads and Bridges, by Mr. Daprato, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 259, entitled

A bill to amend section 15 of chapter 2; sections 6, 7, 10, 18, 20 and 21 of chapter 4; sections 3, 9, 10, 11 and 12 of chapter 5; section 13 of chapter 8; sections 2 and 3 of chapter 15 of Act No. 283 of the Public Acts of 1909 as amended, entitled "An act to revise, consolidate and add to the laws relating to the establishment, opening, improvement, maintenance and use of the public highways and private roads, the condemnation of property and gravel therefor; the building, repairing and preservation of bridges; setting and protecting shade trees, drainage, cutting weeds and brush within this State, and providing for the election and defining the powers, duties and compensation of State, county, township and district highway officials."

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on State Affairs, by Mr. James D. Jerome, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 175, entitled

A bill to provide for the establishment of a branch bacteriological laboratory in and for the Upper Peninsula of the State, and authorizing the employment of a bacteriologist to take charge thereof; to authorize the purchase of the necessary appliances and apparatus for such laboratory and providing an appropriation therefor.

With the following amendment thereto, recommending that the amendment be concurred in and that when so amended the bill pass:

1. Amend by striking out all of section 5 after the word "appropriated" in line 1, and inserting in lieu thereof the following: "Out of any moneys in the State treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the year nineteen hundred fifteen, the sum of six thousand dollars, and for the year nineteen hundred sixteen and annually thereafter, the sum of four thousand dollars, for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this act, which amount shall be paid to the State Board of Health in the manner now provided by the general accounting laws of the State. The Auditor General shall add to and incorporate in the State tax for the year nineteen fifteen, the sum of six thousand dollars and for the year nineteen hundred sixteen and every year thereafter the sum of four thousand dollars, which when collected, shall be used to reimburse the general fund of the State treasury for the amount appropriated by this act."

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the amendment to the bill recommended by the committee,

The amendment was adopted.

The bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The Committee on State Affairs, by Mr. James D. Jerome, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 235, entitled

A bill to amend section 7 of Act No. 168 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to provide for a State superintendent of weights and measures, State, county and city sealers and inspection of weights and measures, prescribing their powers and duties, providing penalties for fraud and deception in the use of false weights and measures and confiscation thereof, and repealing sections 4882 to 4897 inclusive, of the Compiled Laws of 1897."

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on State Public Schools, by Mr. Robertson, Chairman, reported

Senate bill No. 75 (file No. 99), entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the State Public School for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1916, to meet a deficiency in the current expense appropriation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1915, and to provide a tax for the same.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The Committee on Kalamazoo State Hospital, by Mr. Rogers, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 99, entitled

A bill making appropriations for building and special purposes at

the Kalamazoo State Hospital for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1916, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The Committee on Public Health, by Mr. Newel Smith, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 207, entitled

A bill to regulate the sale, disposition, distribution and possession of certain habit-forming drugs.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Public Health, by Mr. Newel Smith, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 192, entitled

A bill to amend sections 4, 14, 16, 18, 19 and 22 of an act entitled "An act to regulate the practice of pharmacy in the State of Michigan," same being Act No. 134 of the Public Acts of 1885, approved June 2, 1885, as amended by Act No. 332 of the Public Acts of 1905, approved June 20, 1905.

With the following amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in and that when so amended the bill pass:

1. Amend by striking out of line 2 of section 16, the word "dispensatory" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "dispensary."

2. Amend by striking out of line 9 of section 18 the words "having a fixed place of business."

3. Amend by striking out of line 23 of section 18 the figures "\$1.00" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "fifty cents."

4. Amend by inserting in line 11 of section 19 after the word "convicted" the words "a second time."

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the amendments to the bill recommended by the committee,

The amendments were adopted.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Towns and Counties, by Mr. Haviland, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 187, entitled

A bill to amend section 3 of chapter 16 of the Revised Statutes of 1846, entitled "Of the powers and duties of townships, and election and duties of township officers," the same being compiler's section 2269 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by Act No. 62 of the Public Acts of 1909.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Military Affairs, by Mr. Culver, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 97, entitled

A bill to provide for an additional appropriation from the general fund in the State treasury for the purpose of carrying into effect the terms of Act No. 165 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to provide for the compilation and publication of a general alphabetical index of the publication 'A Record of Michigan Soldiers and Sailors in the War of the Rebellion, eighteen hundred sixty-one to eighteen hundred sixty-five,' and for the distribution of such index and the distribution of the remaining volumes of said publication now on hand, in the library sets, to the public libraries for the convenient reference of the public, to make an appropriation therefor, and to provide a tax to meet the same," to provide the manner of payment thereof and to provide a tax to meet said appropriation.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The Committee on State Library, by Mr. Sheridan Ford, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 256, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1, 4, 7, 8 and 10 of Act 271 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to create the Michigan Historical Commission; to provide for the appointment of members of such commission; to fix their terms of office, prescribe their powers and duties, make an appropriation to carry out the provisions of this act, and repeal all acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith."

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM STATE OFFICERS.

The following communication from the Michigan Railroad Commission was received and read:

To the Honorable, the Speaker and House of Representatives of the State of Michigan.

Gentlemen: In response to House resolution No. 32, requesting the members of the Michigan Railroad Commission to transmit their views "on the question of permitting the railroads of this state to increase their passenger rates, together with such data and statistics relative to the question as may be available from the records" we beg leave to reply:

The only sources of information bearing upon the question available to the Commission are such as are general in character, derived from

the Opinions of the Interstate Commerce Commission and other governmental bodies and from the annual reports of the several railroad companies of the State, which are, except as to the segregation of State and interstate items, in practical duplication of the reports made by the roads to the Interstate Commerce Commission. The Commission believes that such reports are reasonably accurate in the statistics and information they purport to convey, but in this connection it should be observed that in a business so vast as railroad transportation, involving intricate accounts and divisions in revenue and expenses apportionable to freight and passenger traffic, and between intra and interstate transportation, the meaning of the statistics cannot always be known with precision except upon the most painstaking analysis of the accounts, and by studies which extend comparisons over a series of years, requiring the service of experienced engineers and trained accountants.

The following data and conclusions are not based upon any such careful scrutiny of the sources of information. As already stated, they are drawn from information general in character, and from the official reports on file in the offices of the Commission.

The question at issue would seem to involve two matters of inquiry: First, are the railroads of Michigan as a whole receiving sufficient revenue to enable them to properly discharge their duties as common carriers? Secondly, if their revenues are inadequate, is it in any material measure because of the limitations fixed by statute for passenger transportation?

The information at our command would seem to indicate that the railroads of the State were not earning sufficient revenue as a whole enable them to pay the costs of operation, pay taxes, maintain their property in reasonable efficiency, and yield a reasonable return upon the capital invested, all of which are necessary to the proper discharge of their functions as common carriers.

Among many things of a general character which have persuaded the Commission to this conclusion is the so-called "Five Per Cent Case," decided by the Interstate Commerce Commission on the 29th of July last. In that case the Commission after a most extended hearing and elaborate investigation allowed certain increases in the freight rates in Central Freight Association territory, and made ten tentative suggestions of means whereby the carriers might still further increase their revenues. The first suggestion was as to the increase in passenger fares. The Commission said:—

"Increases in passenger fares have recently been made in New England, following conferences between the State commissions, the carriers, and representatives of the public, and they appear to have been cheerfully acquiesced in by the traveling public. Extra charges for special accommodations have also been made.

"The need of additional revenues is greatest in central freight association territory, and existing statutes in Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, and Michigan may be obstacles to the raising of passenger fares in those States. But we are confident that if these statutory fares are clearly shown to be unduly burdensome to the carriers, the people of these great States will cheerfully acquiesce, as the people of New England have done, in reasonable

increases, and that the necessary legislative authority will be promptly given. The traveling public is giving expression to its demands for better service, better accommodations, and for the adoption by carriers of all the devices that make for safety. A public that demands such a service cannot reasonably object to the payment of a reasonable compensation therefor."

It is common knowledge that interstate rates are now in effect higher than the intrastate rates with the acquiescence of the Interstate Commerce Commission.

The inadequacy of the revenue of the roads of the State would likewise seem to be shown from a compilation from the records of the various companies of the State.

Owing to certain economic conditions with which most people are familiar, there has for more than a decade last past been a progressive lowering of the average revenue per ton mile for freight transportation, and within that time there has been a likewise lowering by statute of the average revenue per passenger per mile in passenger transportation. Exhibit No. 1 discloses the progressive lowering of the average revenue per ton mile which the railroads have derived from freight transportation, while Exhibit No. 2 discloses a like condition as to passenger traffic, as between the years 1900 and 1914.

While there has been this progressive lowering of revenue for each unit of freight and passenger traffic, Exhibit No. 3 discloses that there has been a progressive increase in the compensation of employes, which is the largest item of expense in the cost of transportation. It will be noted from Exhibit No. 3 that the compensation of employes other than general officers has progressively increased from a daily average of \$1.78 with a total cost of \$16,115,727.64 in 1900, to a daily average of \$2.45 and a total cost of \$33,439,585.55 in 1914. These increases, it will be observed, have been likewise increases in the ratio to revenue. Exhibit No. 4 also discloses that the taxes paid by the railroad companies of this State have increased from a total of \$1,353,549.02 in 1900, to a total of \$4,380,094.11 in 1914, while the ratio of taxes to operating revenue has increased from 3.46 to 6.23 in the same period.

The economic changes which have brought about the reduction of revenue for each unit of service, while there has been a progressive increase in the compensation paid to labor and for taxes, has necessitated marked changes in the conduct of the business of transportation and the facilities employed. To meet the changing conditions railroad companies have been obliged to provide larger locomotives, freight cars with greatly increased capacity and for special purposes, heavier rail and stronger bridges, while governmental authority has required almost every facility conceivable for public safety. To meet this condition has required the investment of large amounts of new capital. Exhibit No. 5 discloses that between the years 1907 and up to and including 1914, there was an increase in the roads and equipment in Michigan of more than \$78,000,000, an average of more than \$11,000,000 a year.

Whatever may be said as to the capitalization of railroads prior to 1908, the investments made since that time have been mostly under the supervision of stringent governmental authority, and the record must be presumed to be fairly accurate in character. Exhibit No. 6, embracing

Columns 7 to 15 inclusive, shows the operating revenue and expense for freight and passenger service within the state for the years 1900 to 1914 inclusive. The practical result of the increasing compensation of labor, taxes, and the increased capital required to meet the economic changes necessitated by a falling rate is disclosed in Column 3 of Exhibit No. 5, and also by Exhibit No. 7, which last exhibit discloses that out of 56 operating railroads 33 closed the fiscal year of 1914 with a deficit. The roads of the State taken as a whole, after paying costs of operation, maintenance, taxes and minor deductions, lack \$7,601,388.17 of having sufficient to pay interest on their funded debt properly apportionable to Michigan.

This Exhibit is abnormal only so far as the Pere Marquette Railroad system is concerned, there having been charged into operating expenses of the fiscal year the sum of \$1,748,950.66 which should have been charged to operating expenses of preceding years, but this makes no material change in the conclusions to be drawn from this exhibit.

Exhibit No. 8 is added for the purpose of showing the total funded debt of Michigan railroads, the total interest accruals upon the same, and the average per cent of interest, with an apportionment for the year 1914 of the funded debt of the entire systems to the Michigan properties. This exhibit is computed only upon the par value rate, with no reference to the discount at which the securities were floated, and which must be considered as a part of the interest rate.

From the foregoing exhibits it must be clear that the railroads as a whole have not earned sufficient revenue to meet their reasonable needs and obligations. The second problem is thus presented: Is the deficiency of revenue because of an inadequate passenger rate? This is a difficult question to answer in a specific case. However, as a general problem there are methods that will at least show whether the deficit lies in freight or passenger revenues.

It is a settled principle of railway economics that passenger service is relatively more expensive than freight service. This is a matter of almost common knowledge. The class of equipment, the speed of trains, and every other consideration tend to make the passenger service comparatively more expensive than the freight service. In the Minnesota Rate Case the special master appointed by the United States District Court of Minnesota had presented to him and analyzed a considerable mass of evidence bearing on the earning power of the various properties in question. While the ultimate disposal of this case was not fully an approval of the work of the special master, still the results of his analysis of operating revenue and operating expenses were not assailed and are some guide as to the factor to be employed in the division of this character.

Justice Hughes, in his decision of the case, said:

"There was no substantial dispute as to the amount of the entire revenue assignable to the State or as to its division between interstate and intrastate business, as an examination of the transactions in which the revenue was obtained permitted the making of the requisite apportionments with reasonable certainty.

"The master also ascertained the total expense incurred by the carrier within the State. This expense was first divided between freight and passenger business. Those items of cost which were directly incurred in each sort of business, and not common to both, were directly assigned; and such items were found to cover about 60 per cent of all expenses. The remaining items, those of common expense, were divided between the freight and passenger business upon the relation, as to most of them, of revenue train-miles, and as to the others, of revenue engine-miles."

Without reproducing the details of the computation, it is sufficient to say that in the Northern Pacific case, passenger revenue was earned at an expense relatively 36% greater than freight revenue. In the Great Northern case passenger revenue was earned at an expense relatively 41% greater than freight revenue. In the Minneapolis & St. Louis case passenger revenue was earned at an expense relatively 14.1% greater than freight revenue. For the purpose of applying the principle of analysis, we have selected the transactions in freight and passenger revenue for the year 1913 as being typical and not far removed from the present date. For this year the passenger service train revenue was \$21,470,593.84 out of total operating revenues of \$71,926,230.39. The passenger service train revenue thus constitutes 29.8% of the total revenue. If the passenger revenue in the Minnesota Rate Cases was earned at relatively from 14 to 40 per cent higher than freight revenue, it must be fair to say that the Michigan passenger revenue is earned at an expense relatively ten per cent greater than freight revenue is earned. A solution of an equation of this character would show that the total expenses for the year 1913 should be divided between passenger service train revenue and freight revenue on the basis of 32 per cent and 68 per cent.

Division of Expenses....	Passenger = 32% = \$18,177,224 12
	Freight = 68% = \$38,626,601 25
	<hr/> Total = 100% = \$56,803,825 37

SUMMARY OF RESULTS.

Passenger service train revenue.....	\$21,470,593 84
Passenger expenses	18,177,224 12
Net result passenger operations.....	<hr/> \$3,293,369 72
Deduct 32% of total taxes, Michigan.....	1,303,447 01
Net result of passenger operations less taxes...	<hr/> \$1,989,922 71

For the purpose of testing the net return on investment, we will compute it on bonded debt assigned to Michigan. The total increase in road and equipment investment from 1913 to 1914 was \$5,489,068.00. This deducted from bonded debt for Michigan in 1914 gives the result \$246,073,712.00 which is taken as bonded debt for 1913. This in turn is divided on the basis of revenue, 29.8% being assigned to passenger busi-

ness, or \$73,329,966.00. To pay a return of 6% on this amount will require \$4,399,797.96. In the department of the business to which it has been applied it has yielded a net return of \$1,989,922.71, or 2.71%; that is, a sum \$2,409,875.25 less than a return of six per cent on the bonded debt, which in the computation made is apportioned to the passenger business in Michigan.

The question arises, what will an increase in passenger rates of one-half cent per mile add to passenger revenue? The average revenue per passenger per mile was 1.922 cents. An increase of one-half cent per mile is an increase of one-fourth of the rate for the year 1913, which being applied to the average rate for that year gives .48 cents net per mile provided it were a raise of one-half cent on all the roads operating in the State. In fact there are still many three cent roads in the State, and when competitive conditions are considered, it is concluded a fair estimate to make the net average increase not more than .35 cents per mile. The total passenger miles taken at 910,000,000 at this increased rate will yield an additional revenue of \$3,185,000.00. Practically the effect of the raise in rate proposed will not produce this amount of revenue, because the interstate roads are already charging the higher rate for interstate traffic.

Dated this third day of March, 1915.

Respectfully submitted,

MICHIGAN RAILROAD COMMISSION,

LAWTON T. HEMANS,

Chairman.

C. L. GLASGOW,

Commissioner.

C. S. CUNNINGHAM,

Commissioner.

EXHIBIT NO. 1.

Year.	Freight Traffic.		
	Total tons of revenue freight.	Total revenue ton miles.	Average revenue per ton mile.
	26	27	28
1900.....	47,902,901	3,626,429,818	\$.00720
1901.....	50,742,559	3,765,623,867	.00770
1902.....	52,799,814	4,053,499,420	.00760
1903.....	55,951,782	4,431,118,531	.00760
1904.....	57,448,753	4,269,855,197	.00780
1905.....	63,670,681	4,988,029,022	.00728
1906.....	74,747,169	5,921,682,858	.00674
1908.....	69,942,108	5,733,748,838	.00696
1909.....	69,617,053	5,461,000,789	.00683
1910.....	77,989,730	6,251,796,194	.00693
1911.....	72,838,893	6,108,023,296	.00680
1912.....	78,186,525	6,363,551,900	.00697
1913.....	88,493,698	7,201,086,088	.00657
1914.....	80,970,086	6,664,472,971	.00673

EXHIBIT NO. 2.

Year.	Passenger Traffic.		
	Total revenue passengers carried.	Total revenue passenger miles.	Average revenue per passenger per mile.
	23	24	25
1900.....	12,799,950	483,484,750	\$.02640
1901.....	14,711,365	535,630,985	.02010
1902.....	15,110,386	572,792,587	.02049
1903.....	16,232,925	608,735,923	.02040
1904.....	16,252,570	700,750,351	.01730
1905.....	15,723,682	607,661,241	.02006
1906.....	17,488,797	670,044,664	.02010
1908.....	19,127,191	706,711,280	.01988
1909.....	20,607,698	724,235,372	.01920
1910.....	21,746,404	796,552,548	.01901
1911.....	22,243,340	830,648,622	.01904
1912.....	23,352,681	871,390,465	.01886
1913.....	23,517,058	896,410,662	.01922
1914.....	23,598,569	903,523,468	.01945

EXHIBIT NO. 3.

Year.	Employees and salaries, Michigan, general officers excluded.			
	Total days employed.	Total compensation.	Average daily com- pensation.	Ratio to revenue.
	19	20	21	22
				Per cent
1900.....	9,020,493	\$16,115,727 64	\$1 78	41.25
1901.....	9,832,024	17,394,330 89	1 76	41.36
1902.....	+10,561,837	+19,186,203 21	1 82	42.00
1903.....	10,803,332	20,917,221 42	1 93	42.54
1904.....	10,872,298	20,995,166 49	1 93	42.65
1905.....	11,465,711	22,379,034 37	1 95	43.26
1906.....	11,651,518	23,237,718 80	1 99	41.33
1908.....	+x11,812,869	+24,497,697 20	2 07	42.36
1909.....	+x11,786,904	+x23,714,622 66	2 02	41.71
1910.....	+x12,741,975	+x27,488,133 19	2 16	42.60
1911.....	x13,304,428	x30,312,249 87	2 28	47.36
1912.....	x13,517,445	x31,957,211 24	2 36	46.72
1913.....	x14,702,365	x35,243,974 35	2 40	48.87
1914.....	13,594,301	33,439,555 55	2 45	47.74

Column 19 shows the total number of days worked by the various classes of employes on the respective railroads in the state for the year indicated. Those items marked with a "+" do not include the employes of the C. M. & St. P. Ry., which was not reported in shape to be included. Those items marked with the character "x" have been arrived at by proportioning the returns for the respective years for the G. R. & I. Ry. and W. & M. R. R., which were reported entire line for those years. In the year 1909 two or three very small roads did not report. The omissions are not enough to appreciably affect the table.

Column 20 shows the expenditures in the State of Michigan yearly for all classes of employes except general officers.

Column 21 shows the average daily compensation for the respective years of the employes of railroads in the State of Michigan. General officers are not included in the total.

Column 22 shows the ratio of compensation of employes yearly to the total operating revenue. This column can be used in connection with Column 11 to show the ratio of total operating expenses less compensation of employes to total operating revenue.

These columns have been computed with care, and notwithstanding the small discrepancies mentioned, are a very close statement of the days employed and total expenditures of the railways for employes for the years mentioned.

EXHIBIT NO. 4.

Year.	Taxes Michigan.	Ratio taxes to operating revenue.	Ratio taxes to investment.
	16	17.	18
		Per cent	Per cent
1900.....	\$1,353,549 02	3.46	.....
1901.....	1,483,906 84	3.52	.....
1902.....	3,288,162 06	7.19	.....
1903.....	3,756,149 42	7.63	.....
1904.....	3,330,350 59	6.79	1.07
1905.....	3,527,059 61	6.81	.....
1906.....	3,409,915 17	6.06	.....
1908.....	3,498,847 04	6.05	0.98
1909.....	3,715,517 81	6.50	.....
1910.....	4,473,657 94	6.93	.....
1911.....	4,178,193 13	6.53	.....
1912.....	4,218,383 46	6.24	1.01
1913.....	4,073,271 92	5.66	.....
1914.....	4,380,094 11	6.23	.....

Column 16—Taxes, Michigan—shows for the respective years the taxes paid by railroads to the State of Michigan alone for those years. In the case of railroads wholly within the State of Michigan, it does not include the entire taxes, such as United States Income Tax and taxes of that nature. It includes only the actual tax accruals to the State of Michigan.

Column 17—Ratio of Taxes to Operating Revenue—have been computed on the basis of operating revenue as mentioned in note following column 14.

Column 18—Ratio of Taxes to Investment—have been computed in only one or two instances. It was the purpose to show these, but lack of time has prevented our preparing them. They are computed on this basis for the purpose of deducting from ratio shown in column 3, and therefore showing the net result per cent on investment, Michigan, after taxes are paid.

EXHIBIT NO. 5.

Year.	Road and equipment investment Michigan. 1	Road and equipment investment of subsidiary roads. 2	Ratio. Net results to investment Michigan. 3
	Operating roads.		Per cent
1900.....	\$266,566,257 77	(\$37,176,306 15)	3.35
1901.....	274,307,068 40	(37,743,106 15)	3.44
1902.....	277,558,279 03	(35,621,369 35)	4.91
1903.....	281,556,312 91	(35,621,369 35)	4.29
1904.....	281,106,638 98	(30,048,071 22)	3.89
1905.....	290,288,530 05	(33,832,698 27)	3.64
1906.....	298,976,409 19	(31,746,295 45)	2.90
	Total Michigan.		
1908.....	358,217,535 92		3.59
1909.....	361,076,500 85		4.02
1910.....	378,607,660 61		4.63
1911.....	394,433,487 06		2.81
1912.....	400,501,011 15		3.81
1913.....	414,071,147 98		3.66
1914.....	419,560,216 49		2.12

Column 1 shows the total road and equipment investments of railroads in the State as shown by the roads in their reports. In case interstate roads have no reported Michigan proportion it has been apportioned on a reasonable basis. Items so apportioned are the Cincinnati Northern, Duluth, South Shore & Atlantic, Lake Shore & Michigan Southern, Michigan Central, Detroit River Tunnel, Pere Marquette and Wabash.

Column 2 is shown here for the reason that it has been deducted from the value for those years, the result shown in column 1. By this closer comparative ratios could be derived for column 3. The reason for this is that the expense accounts for those years showed "rents of tracks, yards and terminals" which was expended for rents of the property shown in column 2.

Column 3—Ratio Net Results—(Column 13) to Investment—is the same "per cent of investment." Its purpose is to show the comparative ratios.

EXHIBIT NO. 6.

Year.	Operating revenue.			
	Freight.	Passenger.	Passenger service train revenue.	Total.
	7	8	9	10
1900.....	\$26,306,797 85	\$10,203,952 17	\$12,585,934 35	\$39,068,940 68
1901.....	28,778,322 12	10,771,633 90	12,982,000 10	42,048,289 17
1902.....	30,778,299 29	11,737,986 26	14,062,984 51	45,673,064 83
1903.....	33,747,490 36	12,468,089 59	14,926,672 95	49,166,858 43
1904.....	33,315,838 08	12,137,313 80	14,775,726 31	49,035,725 87
1905.....	36,326,253 32	12,192,634 34	15,015,530 83	51,720,083 54
1906.....	39,914,550 77	13,407,581 02	16,206,119 23	56,221,008 41
1908.....	38,483,105 14	14,048,343 25	17,352,425 21	57,825,505 12
1909.....	37,672,669 35	13,820,875 04	17,246,730 58	56,844,857 06
1910.....	43,348,629 62	15,144,033 63	18,869,846 86	64,516,422 70
1911.....	41,695,236 48	15,820,335 05	19,729,490 56	63,981,729 30
1912.....	44,359,760 23	16,436,740 92	20,399,207 46	67,609,220 57
1913.....	47,344,113 14	17,230,139 52	21,470,593 84	71,926,290 39
1914.....	44,858,262 09	17,589,718 20	21,682,081 27	70,240,071 26

Column 7—Freight Revenue—includes total amounts earned for the respective years by all carriers in the State for the transportation of freight.

Column 8—Passenger Revenue—includes entire amounts earned for the respective years by all the carriers in the State for the transportation of passengers.

Column 9—Passenger Service Train Revenue—shows for the respective years the total amount earned by all the carriers in the State for the transportation of passengers shown in column 8, together with excess baggage revenue, parlor and chair car revenue, mail revenue, express revenue, milk revenue and other passenger train revenue.

Column 10 includes the total revenue for the respective years, derived by all the carriers in the State from the conduct of the railroad business. It shows the items usually spoken of as "gross earnings." It not only includes freight revenue shown in column 7 and passenger service train revenue shown in column 9, but also includes switching revenue, special service train revenue and miscellaneous transportation revenue, together with certain revenues from operations other than transportation, such as station and train privileges, parcel room receipts, storage of freight and baggage, telegraph service, etc. It includes the total earnings from all the properties in the State devoted to railway operations.

EXHIBIT NO. 6.

Year.	Total operating revenue.	Total operating expenses.	Ratio operating expenses to revenue.
	10	11	12
			Per cent
1900.....	\$39,068,940 68	\$30,133,431 21	77.10
1901.....	42,048,289 17	32,608,710 19	77.55
1902.....	45,673,064 83	33,120,852 79	72.73
1903.....	49,166,858 43	37,079,357 99	75.39
1904.....	49,035,725 87	38,095,276 27	76.68
1905.....	51,720,083 54	41,128,486 46	79.52
1906.....	56,221,008 41	47,522,137 65	83.44
1908.....	57,825,595 12	44,954,080 07	77.74
1909.....	56,844,857 06	42,308,886 58	74.43
1910.....	64,516,422 70	46,611,567 15	72.25
1911.....	63,981,729 30	52,886,289 91	82.66
1912.....	67,609,220 57	52,314,055 61	77.48
1913.....	71,926,230 39	56,803,825 37	78.98
1914.....	70,240,071 26	61,335,980 53	87.34

Column 11—Operating Expenses—shows the total operating expenses for the respective years as reported by the various railroads operating in the State. It includes all expenses incident to the conduct of transportation, but does not include taxes or any overhead expenses sometimes called "fixed charges" such as interest deductions. This column has been made with a view to showing the relative cost of conducting railway operations for each year. From 1900 to 1906 the roads were operating under a different classification of accounts from the classification governing their expense accounts from 1908 to 1914 inclusive.

That is, a change was made in the classification of expense accounts from July 1st, 1907, until the present time. Prior to 1907 the expense accounts contained the following items, which the present classification of accounts does not contain, that is, hire of equipment, rents for tracks, yards and terminals; rents for buildings and other property, and taxes. Column 11, as shown, does not contain tax items, but does contain the other items. In any event, these items, hire of equipment, rents for tracks, yards and terminals, rents for buildings and other property, are not large and will not seriously affect comparative results. The effect is to make the ratios shown in column 12 slightly greater than they should be for the years 1900 to 1906 inclusive.

EXHIBIT NO. 6.

Year.	Net result of operations— Michigan.	Ratio to operating revenue.	Ratio to operating expenses.
	13	14	15
		Per cent	Per cent
1900.....	\$8,935,509 47	22.87	29.65
1901.....	9,439,578 98	22.44	28.95
1902.....	12,552,212 04	27.27	37.90
1903.....	12,087,500 44	24.61	32.54
1904.....	10,940,449 60	23.32	28.74
1905.....	10,591,597 08	20.48	25.75
1906.....	8,698,870 76	16.56	.....
1908.....	12,871,425 05	22.26	.....
1909.....	14,535,970 48	25.57	.....
1910.....	17,904,855 55	27.75	.....
1911.....	11,095,439 39	17.34	.....
1912.....	15,295,164 96	22.52	.....
1913.....	15,112,405 02	21.02	.....
1914.....	8,904,090 73	12.67	.....

Column 13 shows the net result of operations for the respective years for the State of Michigan. It is derived by deducting operating expenses from total operating revenue.

Column 14—Ratio of Net Result to Operating Revenue—shows the per cent of total revenue derived from the business of the year which is available to the companies operating in the State from Michigan business for the payment of taxes, current income charges incident to the business, and also for the payment of interest on funded debt and other overhead charges incident to the year's business transactions. It will be noted that this ratio is the complement of the ratio shown in column 12. It is also shown on the same basis as the ratio shown in column 17, with reference to taxes, and the net ratio after the deduction of taxes can be shown by deducting the taxes ratios in column 17 from the ratios shown in column 14. The ratios shown in column 15 have not been completed and are not important.

EXHIBIT NO. 7.

Railroad.	Property book value June 30, 1913.	Net income Michigan 1914 report.	Interest de- ductions ap- portioned Michigan.	Dividends from income.	Dividend from profit and loss.
A. A.	\$16,807,065 37	\$79,528 10	\$321,358 36		
A. & B. R.	180,727 25	751 04			
B. & S.	112,878 38	1,350 69			
B. C. G. & A.	1,116,553 44	64,689 47	19,988 51		
C. K. & S.	1,252,806 13	3,636 87	50,720 00		
C. M. & St. P.	10,152,943 07	157,434 62	83,959 64		\$18,386 24
C. & N. W.	22,044,105 19	668,732 12	607,002 80	\$653,977 00	
Cin. Nor.	750,227 57	61,601 17	7,731 93		
Cop. Range.	6,800,515 46		114,000 00		
Del. Conn.	60,328 83	35,755 32			
C. W. & M.	1,042,012 89	197,123 29	27,584 00		
Del. Term.	68,458 47	10,694 78			
D. B. C. & W.	798,220 13	47,150 31	20,216 13		
D. & Char.	528,428 68	4,740 97			
D. & M.	5,915,948 77	219,632 58	92,000 00	147,500 00	
Det. Term.	1,104,552 59	90,350 56			
D. T. & I.	4,421,137 11	369,127 12	132,958 79		
D. & T. S. L.	3,953,907 36	150,677 99	108,040 41	84,446 21	465,696 00
D. S. S. & A.	39,109,754 57	359,875 27	725,285 24		
E. & S.	249,263 37	19,142 52			30,000 00
E. & S. E.	118,001 65	200 40			
E. & M. Ry. & Nav.	128,498 60	13,474 22	882 44		4,635 60
E. & L. Sup.	1,674,269 30	76,936 88	18,600 00		69,300 00
G. R. & I.	14,612,525 63	115,873 81	385,077 27		
G. T. System:					
C. D. & C. G. T. Jct	3,088,916 95	35,387 14	65,700 00	22,846 56	
C. S. & M.	1,500,000 00	81,128 02			
D. G. H. & M.	6,734,635 82	413,824 45	311,940 00		
D. & H.	287,340 53	22,212 27			
G. T. W.	20,183,799 64	591,077 04	622,064 52		
M. A. L.	1,825,299 60	95,927 77			
P. O. & N.	1,399,479 80	81,051 73	24,000 00		
T. S. & M.	3,168,148 25	212,339 37	83,100 00		
St. C. Tunn.	1,701,351 75	42,687 98	62,500 00		
H. C. & S. W.	92,904 12	6,241 09			
K. L. S. & C.	433,512 60	2,248 42	2,440 10		
K. Cent.	849,674 64	10,933 71	3,340 50		
L. S. & M. S.	28,914,743 14	1,648,911 39	956,300 00	750,541 45	
L. S. & I.	2,799,467 86	40,427 75	72,024 24		
L. & N.	55,522 82	2,761 43	1,980 00		
M. & G. R.		3,740 90	5,630 02		
M. & L.	261,706 27	16,535 07			
M. & N. E.	2,071,742 22	49,931 95	67,500 56		
M. & L. S.	1,371,616 73	7,672 14	11,000 00		
Mich. Ry.		6,354 91			
M. Cent.	52,717,581 76	147,088 19	923,158 58	611,893 35	
M. E. & W.	294,411 93	9,162 13			
Min. R.	2,864,898 27	76,190 44	103,228 41		
Soo L.	10,931,758 67	271,617 88	274,810 07		259,377 00
M. M. & S. E.	2,325,030 70	52,606 76	117,263 77		
Onton.	33,221 81	2,432 03			
P. Mar.	81,488,989 77	5,642,126 00	2,954,737 64		
P. H. So.	45,025 73	4,433 72			
T. C. L. & M.	300,554 57	7,350 69			
Wab.	7,192,729 01	56,901 56	168,089 70		
W. & M.	2,198,159 21	6,196 12			
Wy. Sou.	37,900 26	158 84			
Wy. Term.	10,000 00	7,802 33			
	\$370,161,273 14	\$10,002,664 50	\$9,312,989 42	\$2,271,204 57	\$847,394 84
		2,401,276 33	7,601,388 17		
		\$7,601,388 17—	\$1,711,601 25		

Note: Minus sign "—" indicates deficit or negative item.

The above table is an income statement of the operating railroads of Michigan as to their Michigan business. In the second column the net results of the year's operations in the State of the respective railroads are shown. This table has been prepared by making up from the operating revenues and operating expenses reported for Michigan by inter-

state roads an income statement for their Michigan business by deducting taxes, adding a proportion of auxiliary business, together with a reasonable proportion of other income, and deducting the Michigan proportion of joint facilities, rents, hire of equipment, leases of roads, interest accruals and other deductions. In the case of those roads operating solely in Michigan the income statement is the same as reported by the road. The results of the year's operations are as shown in the second column. It will be noted that twenty-three roads operating in the State closed the year with a surplus, and that thirty-three of the roads closed the year with a deficit.

In the third column is shown the interest deductions for the operating roads for Michigan. It will be noted that this interest total does not correspond with the total shown for Michigan in column five. This is due to the fact that the footing of column five shows interest accruals on the funded debt of subsidiary roads and leased roads as well as on operating roads. It will be noted that the net footing of the second column is a deficit of \$7,601,388.17. This deficit takes care of the year's interest accruals, or in other words, the operating roads in Michigan lack \$7,601,388.17 of paying interest charges for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1914. To state it in a different way, the roads earned above all fixed charges and expenses except interest, the sum of \$1,711,601.25.

Of the roads operating in the State, four, namely the C. & N. W., the D. & M., the D. & T. S. L. and the C. D. & C. G. T. Jct., paid dividends and had sufficient earnings from Michigan business to pay Michigan's proportion of such dividends. The L. S. & M. S. Ry. also paid dividend from income, but shows no net income for Michigan. The M. C. R. R. also paid dividend from income but it was not earned either in Michigan nor upon the entire line, as shown in their report. While it is shown as paid from income, in effect it was paid from surplus.

EXHIBIT NO. 8.

Year.	Total funded debt of Michigan railroads.	Total interest accruals on same for year.	Average per cent of interest accruals.
	4	5	6
1900.....	\$638,137,627 07	\$27,898,775 00	a 4.42
1901.....	662,704,592 29	26,860,938 33	a 4.15
1902.....	653,711,955 13	27,141,527 07	a 4.12
1903.....	667,129,062 40	26,987,949 64	a 4.09
1904.....	695,619,130 18	28,547,967 65	a 4.18
1905.....	747,273,300 54	29,034,321 48	a 4.04
1906.....	788,102,373 12	33,122,915 87	a 4.31
1908.....	866,859,844 55		
1909.....	790,689,579 00	35,166,870 90	a 4.24
1910.....	845,244,469 00	37,028,711 78	a 4.52
1911.....	969,218,070 00		
1912.....	1,017,337,030 00	40,837,517 74	a 4.10
1913.....	1,105,895,694 00	43,467,173 22	a 4.09
1914.....	1,152,014,555 00	45,853,514 75	a 4.06
1914-b.....	251,562,779 84	b 10,293,581 65	4.09

a Computed on average funded debt for year.

b State of Michigan.

Column 4—Total Funded Debt of Roads operating in Michigan—Shows the total funded debt in the hands of outside parties at the close of each year.

Column 5 shows the interest accrued each year on the funded debt in the hands of outside parties.

Column 6 is the average rate per cent on funded debt. It is computed on the average funded debt for the year.

Opposite 1914 (b) is shown funded debt and interest apportioned to Michigan.

EXHIBIT NO. 9.

Year.	Employees and salaries—Michigan.				
	Number of days worked.	General officers total yearly compensation.	Average daily compensation.	Ratio to operating revenue.	Progressive increase of compensation.
	29	30	31	32	33
1900	32,428	\$442,640 62	\$13 64	Per cent 1.11	\$1 00
1901	30,626	442,034 92	14 62	1.05	
1902	36,458	628,155 24	17 22	1.37	
1903	31,375	446,515 28	14 23	0.91	
1904	37,790	525,091 65	13 89	1.07	1.19
1905	38,416	583,409 17	15 18	1.14	
1906	46,244	663,878 19	14 35	1.18	
1908	*40,442	383,258 42	9 48	0.66	
1909	*42,146	483,478 78	11 47	0.80	
1910	*43,672	507,237 25	11 61	0.78	
1911	45,697	534,096 54	11 96	0.83	1 21
1912	50,794	552,109 22	10 87	0.82	
1913	50,874	543,573 36	12 43	0.76	
1914	46,723	575,977 64	12 32	0.82	1 30

*C. M. & St. Paul not included, G. R. & I. and M. & W. apportioned. Ann Arbor was not included in 1910 figures.

This statement includes: Salaries—Pay of chairman of board, president, vice-president, treasurer, secretary, general manager, registrar of stock, registrar of bonds, comptroller, general auditor and all other officials whose duties are of a general character.

(Classification of operating expenses prescribed by the Interstate Commerce Commission, 3rd Revised Issue, effective 1907 and in effect until July 1, 1914.)

Column 32 shows the ratio of yearly compensation of general officers to total operating revenue. This ratio can be added to the ratio shown in column 22 and thus show the total ratio of all disbursements for salaries and wages to the total operating revenue.

Column 33 shows the progressive increase of compensation of general officers from the year 1900 to such subsequent years as have been selected and computed.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting

Senate bill No. 127 (file No. 87), entitled

A bill to amend section 15 of Act No. 388 of the Local Acts of 1889, entitled "An act supplemental to the charter of the city of Detroit, and relating to parks, boulevards and other public grounds in said city," and to repeal Act No. 374 of the Local Acts of 1879, entitled "An act to

provide for the establishment and maintenance of a broad street or boulevard about the limits of the city of Detroit and through portions of the townships of Hamtramck, Greenfield and Springwells, in the county of Wayne," approved May 21, 1879, as amended.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on City Corporations.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting

Senate bill No. 119 (file No. 129), entitled

A bill to repeal Act No. 612 of the Local Acts of 1905, entitled "An act to provide for the locating and establishing of drains within the county of Ionia, approved June 7, 1905.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Drainage.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting

Senate bill No. 34 (file No. 127), entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1916, to meet a deficiency in the amount appropriated under Act No. 57 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act making an appropriation to pay the actual railroad fare or transportation to the celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of the battle of Gettysburg to be held at Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, July 1, 2 and 3, 1913, of all union or confederate soldiers of the civil war who were present and participated in said battle and who are at present or have been residents of the State of Michigan for six months prior to January 1, 1913," and to provide a tax to meet the same.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill, and further informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had ordered the bill to take immediate effect.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting

Senate bill No. 139 (file No. 126), entitled

A bill to authorize the common council of the city of Detroit to borrow money for the purpose of acquiring lands and constructing library building or buildings thereon and the completion and maintenance thereof.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill, and further informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had ordered the bill to take immediate effect.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting Senate bill No. 70 (file No. 51), entitled

A bill to provide for the creation of a board of mediation and conciliation; to prescribe its powers and duties; to provide for arbitration in the settlement of differences that may arise between employer or employers and employes; and to make an appropriation for the maintenance of such board.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill, and further informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had ordered the bill to take immediate effect.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. William F. Jerome introduced House bill No. 292, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1, 4 and 5 of Act No. 109 of the Public Acts of 1907, entitled "An act to provide for the appointment of a bacteriologist by the State Board of Health; to provide for the purchase of the necessary appliances and apparatus for bacteriological examinations, and providing an appropriation therefor," as amended by Act No. 122 of the Public Acts of 1909.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Public Health.

Mr. William F. Jerome introduced House bill No. 293, entitled

A bill to amend section 3 of chapter 35 of the Revised Statutes of 1846, relative to the preservation of the public health, quarantine, nuisances and offenses of trade, amended by Act No. 70 of the Session Laws of 1893, the same being section 4412 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Public Health.

Mr. William F. Jerome introduced House bill No. 294, entitled

A bill to amend section 44 of chapter 35 of the Revised Statutes of 1846, relative to the preservation of the public health, quarantine, nuisances and offensive trades, as amended by Act 158 of the Public Acts of 1895, the same being section 4453 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Public Health.

Mr. Haviland introduced House bill No. 295, entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of chapter 3 of Act 254 of the Public Acts of 1897, entitled "An act to provide for the construction and

maintenance of drains, and the assessment and collection of taxes therefor, and to repeal all other laws relative thereto," being section 4319 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by Act 118 of the Public Acts of 1909, approved May 19, 1909; as last amended by Act 185 of the Public Acts of 1911, approved April 28, 1911.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Drainage.

Mr. Sherman introduced

House bill No. 296, entitled

A bill to provide for the transfer to the State Fire Marshal fund from the retaliatory fees on deposit in the State treasury, such sums as may be necessary to meet the salaries and current expenses of the office of State Fire Marshal for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1916 and June 30, 1917, said sum not to exceed fifteen thousand dollars in each such fiscal years.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Wells introduced

House bill No. 297, entitled

A bill to provide for the investigation and improvement of marketing conditions and establishing the office of market director and prescribing the duties and powers thereof, and making an annual appropriation therefor.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Mr. Wiley introduced

House bill No. 298, entitled

A bill to amend section 7 of part 6 of Act No. 10 of the Public Acts of 1912, First Extra Session, entitled "An act to promote the welfare of the people of this State, relating to the liability of employers for injuries or death sustained by their employes, providing compensation for the accidental injury to or death of employes and methods for the payment of the same, establishing an Industrial Accident Board, defining its powers, providing for a review of its awards, making an appropriation to carry out the provisions of this act, and restricting the right to compensation or damages in such cases to such as are provided by this act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Labor.

Mr. Griggs introduced

House bill No. 299, entitled

A bill to amend the title and sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 7 of Act 244 of the Public Acts of the State of Michigan for the year 1907, entitled, "An act to protect the title and to regulate the practice of veterinary medicine and surgery in all its various branches in the State of Michigan; providing for a State Veterinary Board and prescribing its duties;

regulating existing practitioners; governing under-graduates and reciprocity with other States and provinces; prescribing penalties for its violation and repealing all inconsistent acts," and to add a new section thereto to stand as section 14 of said act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Pray introduced

House bill No. 300, entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of Act No. 280 of the Public Acts of 1907, entitled "An act to regulate the sampling and testing of milk and cream and the use of the Babcock test and to make the violation of any provisions thereof a misdemeanor."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Public Health.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

Senate bill No. 112 (file No. 81), entitled

A bill to amend section 15 of Act 173 of the Public Acts of the State of Michigan for the year 1913, entitled "An act to establish a farm colony for the humane, curative, scientific and economical treatment of epileptic persons, exclusive of insane and idiotic persons, to be known as the 'Michigan Farm Colony for Epileptics,' to regulate the procedure for admission thereto and to provide for the management and control thereof and making an appropriation therefor."

Was read a third time and, the question being on its passage,

Mr. Follett moved to amend the bill

1. By striking out of section 15 the balance of the section after the word "inmates" in line six.

The Speaker ruled that the amendment was not in order, for the reason that the proposed amendment would so change the bill that it would make no amendment to the present law, and would therefore be of no force—that the result sought by the proposed amendment would be brought about by voting against the passage of the bill.

Mr. W. F. Jerome moved to amend the bill

2. By striking out of line 6 and also of line 11 of section 15 the word "inmates" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "patients."

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. DeBoer moved to amend the bill

3. By striking out of lines 13, 14, 15 and 16 of section 15 the words "that if such board deems it advisable so to do it may advertise for bids and may enter into such contracts as shall be necessary to secure the performance of the work in accordance with the provisions of section 7 herein" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "that such board shall advertise for bids if the character or magnitude of the work to be done makes it impossible to profitably use the patients of the institution."

The amendment was adopted.

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Gettel	Mr. Moore	Mr. Sly
Anderson	Griggs	Nelson	Smith, S. J.
Ashley	Haviland	O'Brien	Snow
Averill	Henry	Olsted	Sours
Chapin	Hinkley	Ormsbee	Sutton
Cowan	Hoffman	Palmer	Symonds
Croll	Hopkins	Person	Tufts
Culver	Hulse	Petermann	Van Antwerp
Daigneau	Jerome, J. D.	Place	Vine
Daprato	Jerome, W. F.	Pray	Ward
De Boer	Jones	Quintel	Warner
Edwards	Keen	Read, Thos.	Watkins
Empson	Kemmerling	Reed, C. J.	Weissert
Evens	Kooyers	Rice	Wells
Ewing	Lamphere	Robertson	Whiteley
Flowers	Leland	Rogers	Wieland
Foote	Lewis	Ross	Wiley
Ford, R. L.	Martin	Schmidt	Wolcott
Ford, Sheridan	Matthews	Sherman	Wright
Francis	Miller	Shields	Speaker

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NAYS.

Mr. Biggerstaff	Mr. Follett	Mr. Root	Mr. Smith, Newel
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Clark	Oakley		

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Rice moved that when the House adjourns today it stand adjourned until tomorrow at 9:00 o'clock a. m.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Rice moved that when the House adjourns tomorrow it stand adjourned until Monday at 9:00 o'clock p. m.

The motion prevailed.

GENERAL ORDERS OF THE DAY.

Mr. Petermann moved that the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole on the general orders.

The motion prevailed.

The Speaker called Mr. Petermann to the chair.

After a time spent in the consideration of bills upon the general orders, the committee rose, and, through its chairman, made a report recommending the passage, without amendment, of the following entitled bill:

Senate bill No. 9 (file No. 9), entitled

A bill to amend section 15 of Act No. 194 of the Public Acts of 1889, entitled "An act to revise and consolidate the laws relative to the State Board of Education," being section 1826 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by Act No. 125 of the Public Acts of 1907.

The bill was placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

By unanimous consent.

Mr. Newel Smith moved that

House bill No. 55 (file No. 18), entitled

A bill to provide for the registration, identification and regulation of motor vehicles operated upon the public highways of this State, and of the operators of such vehicles; and to provide for levying specific taxes upon such vehicles so operated and registering certain operators thereof; and to provide for the disposition of such funds; and to provide for other means of taxation of motor vehicles so operated; and to repeal all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith or contrary hereto.

Now on the order of General Orders, be made a Special Order for consideration on Tuesday, March 9, at 2:30 o'clock p. m.

The motion prevailed.

By unanimous consent

Mr. Flowers moved that

House bill No. 231 (file No. 78), entitled

A bill to repeal Act No. 186 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to provide and establish a court of domestic relations in each county of this State, which has a population of upwards of two hundred fifty thousand, to define its jurisdiction and for the purpose of this act to provide for additional circuit judges in such counties" approved May 6, 1913.

Now on the order of General Orders, be re-referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

The motion prevailed.

By unanimous consent.

Mr. Palmer made written request for the printing of

House bill No. 209, entitled

A bill to provide a method whereby all political parties shall select delegates to all of their State conventions, to regulate proceedings for the same, to provide adequate punishment for the violation of the provisions of this act and to repeal any or all acts or parts of acts in any way contravening or interfering with the provisions of this act.

The request was referred to the Committee on Printing.

Mr. Croll moved that the House adjourn.

The motion prevailed, the time being 3:03 o'clock p. m.

The Speaker declared the House adjourned until tomorrow at 9:00 o'clock a. m.

CHARLES S. PIERCE,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.

THIRTY-NINTH DAY.

Lansing, Friday, March 5.

9 o'clock a. m.

The House was called to order by the Speaker pro tem.

Religious exercises were conducted by Rev. W. F. Jerome, of St. Peter's Episcopal Church, of Hillsdale.

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk, who announced that a quorum was present.

Messrs. Evens, Gayde, Green, Haviland, Keen, Koehler, Martz, Penney, Stevens, Woodruff and the Speaker were absent with leave.

Messrs. Daprato, Foote, Sheridan Ford, James D. Jerome, Kooyers, Sherman and Stevenson were absent without leave.

Mr. Pray moved that Mr. Sherman be excused from today's session. The motion prevailed.

Mr. Nelson moved that an indefinite leave of absence be granted Mr. Daprato.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Root moved that all other absentees be excused from today's session.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Griggs asked and obtained a leave of absence from the balance of today's session.

Messrs. Snow, DeBoer, Matthews and Wood asked and obtained leaves of absence from Monday's session.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

Mr. Lewis presented
Petition No. 700.

Protest of Frank L. Charles and 140 other citizens of Bangor, Van Buren county, against any change in the rate of passenger fares charged by the railroads of the State.

The protest was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Wood presented
Petition No. 701.

Petition of D. E. Johnson and 17 other citizens of the State, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Thomas Read presented
Petition No. 702.

Petition of C. J. Moon and 32 other citizens of Oceana county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 9, relative to mutual telephone companies.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. Place presented
Petition No. 703.

Petition of E. F. Bliss and 10 other citizens of St. Joseph county, in favor of the present deer hunting law.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Place presented
Petition No. 704.

Petition of A. K. Lanning and 9 other citizens of White Pigeon, St. Joseph county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Amon presented
Petition No. 705.

Petition of S. T. Matthews and 14 other citizens of the State, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY CLERK OF PRINTING OF BILLS.

The Clerk announced that the following named bills had been printed and placed upon the files of the members Thursday, March 4:

Senate bill No. 202 (file No. 151), entitled

A bill to amend sections 5, 6 and 7 of chapter 4 of Act No. 283 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to revise, consolidate and add to the laws relating to the establishment, opening, improvement, maintenance and use of the public highways and private roads, the condemnation of property and gravel therefor; the building, repairing and

preservation of bridges; setting and protecting shade trees; drainage, cutting weeds and brush within this State, and providing for the election and defining the powers, duties and compensation of State, county, township and district highway officials," approved June 2, 1909, as last amended by Act No. 400 of the Public Acts of 1913.

Senate bill No. 204 (file No. 156), entitled

A bill to amend section 10 of part 2 and section 1 of part 3 of Act No. 10 of the Public Acts of 1912, First Extra Session, entitled "An act to promote the welfare of the people of the State, relating to the liability of employers for injuries or death sustained by their employes, providing compensation for the accidental injury to or death of employes and methods for the payment of the same, establishing an industrial accident board, defining its powers, providing for a review of its awards, making an appropriation to carry out the provisions of this act, and restricting the right to compensation or damages in such cases to such as are provided by this act," approved March 20, 1912.

The Clerk announced the enrollment printing and the presentation to the Governor, on March 5, for his approval, of the following named bills:

House bill No. 66 (file No. 15), enrolled No. 5, entitled

A bill to amend section 84 of Act 206 of the Public Acts of 1893, being "An act to provide for the assessment of property and the levy and collection of taxes thereon, and for the collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied; making such taxes a lien on the lands taxed, establishing and continuing such lien, providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes, and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the State and not redeemed or purchased; and to repeal Act 200 of the Public Acts of 1891 and all other acts and parts of acts in anywise contravening any of the provisions of this act," being section 3907 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by Act 262 of the Public Acts of 1899.

House bill No. 64 (file No. 14), enrolled No. 6, entitled

A bill to amend section 35 of Act No. 206 of the Public Acts of 1893, being "An act to provide for assessment of property and levy and collection of taxes thereon; and for collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied; making such taxes a lien on the lands taxed, establishing and continuing such lien, providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes, and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the State and not redeemed or purchased; and to repeal Act No. 200 of the Public Acts of 1891 and all other acts and parts of acts in anywise contravening any of the provisions of this act," being section 3858 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

House bill No. 65 (file No. 5), enrolled No. 7, entitled

A bill to amend the title, and to add a new section to stand as section 2, of Act No. 311 of the Public Acts of 1905, entitled "An act relative to the cost of bonds to be furnished by State officers," as last amended by Act No. 82 of the Public Acts of 1913.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Labor, by Mr. Oakley, Chairman, reported
Senate bill No. 109 (file No. 79), entitled

A bill prescribing vacations for persons regularly employed in the Michigan State Prison, the State House of Correction and Branch of State Prison in the Upper Peninsula, and the Michigan Reformatory.

With a substitute therefor, entitled

A bill to prescribe minimum wages and vacations for certain persons regularly employed in the Michigan State Prison, the State House of Correction and Branch of the State Prison in the Upper Peninsula, and the Michigan Reformatory.

Recommending that the substitute be concurred in and that the bill as substituted pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the proposed substitute recommended by the committee,

The substitute was adopted.

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Labor, by Mr. Oakley, Chairman, reported
House bill No. 251, entitled

A bill to regulate the hours of labor of laborers, workmen, and mechanics employed in the erection, construction, remodeling, or repairing of any public building or works and providing penalties for violations.

With the following amendment thereto, recommending that the amendment be concurred in and that when so amended the bill pass:

1. Amend by inserting in line 13 of section 1 after the word "life" the words "or the public health."

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the amendment to the bill recommended by the committee,

The amendment was adopted.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on State Affairs, by Mr. Edwards, Acting Chairman, reported

Senate bill No. 139 (file No. 126), entitled

A bill to authorize the common council of the city of Detroit to borrow money for the purpose of acquiring lands and constructing library building or buildings thereon, and the completion and maintenance thereof.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Northern State Normal School, by Mr. F. A. Smith, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 92, entitled

A bill making appropriations for the Northern State Normal School for current expenses and for special purposes for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, and provide a tax to meet the same.

With the following amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in and that when so amended the bill pass:

1. Amend by striking out of line 2 in section 1 the words "seventy-five thousand, four hundred forty-five," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "seventy-one thousand one hundred forty-five."

2. Amend by striking out of line 3 in section 5 the words "eighty-three thousand one hundred ninety-five" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "seventy-nine thousand eight hundred ninety-five."

3. Amend by striking out of lines 4 and 5 in section 5 the words "seventy-four thousand eight hundred forty-five" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "sixty-nine thousand eight hundred forty-five."

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the amendments to the bill recommended by the committee,

The amendments were adopted.

The bill was then referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR.

A message was received from the Governor informing the House of Representatives that on Wednesday, March 3, he had approved

House bill No. 7 (file No. 2), enrolled No. 1, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of Act No. 49, of the Public Acts of 1885, entitled "An act for the relief of purchasers and settlers on swamp land, and to repeal Act No. 166, Session Laws of 1855 and Act No. 173, Session Laws of 1867, the same being sections 5386 and 5387, Howell's Annotated Statutes," now section 1494, of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

A message was received from the Senate returning

House bill No. 56 (file No. 23), entitled

A bill to amend section 5 of Act No. 147 of the Public Acts of 1891, entitled "An act to provide for the election of a county commissioner of schools, for the appointment of school examiners, and to define the duties and fix the compensation for the same, and to repeal all existing acts or parts of acts conflicting with the provisions of this act," being compiler's section 4812 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as last amended by Act No. 231 of the Public Acts of 1913.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill.

The bill was referred to the Clerk for enrollment printing and presentation to the Governor.

A message was received from the Senate returning

House bill No. 57 (file No. 26), entitled

A bill to amend section 4 of Act No. 65 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to provide for the payment of tuition in and transportation to another district of children who have completed the eighth grade in any school district; and to repeal Act No. 190 of the Public Acts of 1903 and all other acts and parts of acts in any wise contravening the provisions of this act," as amended by Act No. 14 of the Public Acts of 1911.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill.

The bill was referred to the Clerk for enrollment printing and presentation to the Governor.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting

Senate bill No. 178 (file No. 131), entitled

A bill to provide for the appointment of a chief clerk in the compiling division of the Department of State, and to fix the salary thereof.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting

Senate bill No. 174 (file No. 124), entitled

A bill to provide for the transfer of the powers and duties of the State game, fish and forestry warden to the public domain commission, and to define the powers and duties of the public domain commission in relation thereto, and to repeal all acts or parts of acts which conflict therewith.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill, and further informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had ordered the bill to take immediate effect.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Flowers introduced

House bill No. 301, entitled

A bill to license and regulate the loaning of money in cities and villages of this State in sums of three hundred dollars and less, upon chattel securities, or endorsement, or upon salaries or wage earnings, or without security, and prescribing rates of interest and charges therefor, and penalties for violations thereof, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Flowers introduced

House bill No. 302, entitled

A bill to authorize the general laws of this State entitled "Howell's Annotated Statutes of the State of Michigan, Second Edition," to be received and used in evidence.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Flowers introduced
House bill No. 303, entitled

A bill to amend section 29 of chapter 145 of the Revised Statutes of 1846 relative to the powers, duties and obligations of assignees of insolvent debtors, as amended by Act 161 of the Public Acts of 1869, the same being section 9673 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Place introduced
House bill No. 304, entitled

A bill to provide for the furnishing, at public expense, suitable markers for the graves of honorably discharged soldiers, sailors and marines who served in the army of the United States, to provide for the marking and designation of such graves for memorial purposes, to provide a penalty for the removal or destruction of such markers or designs when placed, and to repeal Act No. 136 of the Public Acts of 1907.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. Wright introduced
House bill No. 305, entitled

A bill to amend section 22 of chapter 8 of Act No. 3 of the Public Acts of 1895, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation of villages within the State of Michigan, and defining their powers and duties," as last amended by Act No. 39 of the Public Acts of 1899.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Village Corporations.

Mr. Jones introduced
House bill No. 306, entitled

A bill to regulate the compensation of laborers, workmen and mechanics employed in the erection, construction, remodeling, or repairing of any public buildings or works, and providing penalties for violations.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Labor.

Mr. Wood introduced
House bill No. 307, entitled

A bill to amend the title and section 1 of Act No. 354 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act relative to the use, sale, trading and disposition of horses and mules, permanently unfit for work, and to provide a penalty for the violation thereof," approved May 13, 1913.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Person introduced
House bill No. 308, entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the expenses of federal and con-

federate veteran soldiers who served in the civil war of 1861 to 1865, and now residing in the State of Michigan, who were participators in the campaign of Vicksburg from March 29th, 1863, to July 4th, 1863, to enable them to attend the national celebration and peace jubilee, in commemoration of the semi-centennial of the ending of the civil war between the States in 1865, and the centennial of the conclusion of peace with Great Britain in 1815, and the fifty-second anniversary of the ending of the campaign and investment of Vicksburg in 1863, to be held in the Vicksburg national military park, October 13, 14, 15 and 16, 1915.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

Senate bill No. 9 (file No. 9), entitled

A bill to amend section 15 of Act No. 194 of the Public Acts of 1889, entitled "An act to revise and consolidate the laws relative to the State Board of Education," being section 1826 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by Act No. 125 of the Public Acts of 1907.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Gettel	Mr. Olmsted	Mr. Smith, S. J.
Anderson	Henry	Ormsbee	Snow
Ashley	Hinkley	Palmer	Sours
Averill	Hoffman	Person	Sutton
Biggerstaff	Hopkins	Petermann	Symonds
Bosch	Hulse	Place	Tufts
Chapin	Jerome, W. F.	Pray	Van Antwerp
Clark	Jones	Quintel	Vine
Cowan	Leland	Read, Thos.	Ward
Croll	Lewis	Reed, C. J.	Warner
Culver	McMillan	Robertson	Watkins
Daigneau	Martin	Rogers	Weissert
De Boer	Matthews	Root	Wells
Edwards	Miller	Ross	Whiteley
Empson	Moore	Schmidt	Wieland
Ewing	Nank	Shields	Wolcott
Flowers	Nelson	Sly	Wood
Follett	Oakley	Smith, F. A.	Wright
Ford, R. L.	O'Brien	Smith, Newel	Speaker pro tem
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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. DeBoer offered the following resolution:

House resolution No. 37.

Whereas, We have received the sad news that one of our esteemed colleagues has suffered a double bereavement in the loss of a brother and

a sister-in-law, with a double funeral for husband and wife, on March third; therefore, be it

Resolved, That we extend to the Hon. H. A. Penney our deepest sympathy in this, his hour of sorrow; and be it further

Resolved, That this resolution be spread upon the records, and that the Clerk be and is hereby instructed to send an engrossed copy to our esteemed colleague.

The resolution was unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

Mr. Henry moved that Hon. Herbert F. Baker of Cheboygan, a member of the House of Representatives of 1907 and 1909, and a member and Speaker of the House of 1911, be invited to address the House, and that a special committee be appointed to escort Mr. Baker to the chair.

The motion prevailed.

The Speaker pro tem appointed as such committee, Messrs. Henry, S. J. Smith and Hinkley.

Mr. Baker then addressed the House.

The House resumed the regular order of business.

Mr. Hinkley offered the following resolution:

House resolution No. 38.

Whereas, The different institutions of this State are asking appropriations of the Legislature aggregating twenty million dollars; and

Whereas, It becomes the duty of the Committee on Ways and Means to pass upon the bills providing for these appropriations in advance of their coming before the House for consideration; and

Whereas, The Committee has found it impossible in many instances to get proper and satisfactory information as to the needs for the appropriations; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Committee on Ways and Means is hereby granted authority to designate sub-committees, not exceeding three members on each committee, to visit any State institutions where it seems advisable to have a further investigation made as to the needs of the institutions; and that the expenses of the members of such sub-committees, in visiting the institutions, as herein provided, shall be paid as incidental expenses of the House of Representatives in the same manner as the expenses of the members of standing committees on said institutions are paid when visiting the institutions.

The resolution was adopted.

GENERAL ORDERS OF THE DAY.

Mr. Moore moved that the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole on the general orders.

The motion prevailed.

The Speaker pro tem. called Mr. Moore to the chair.

After a time spent in the consideration of bills upon the general orders, the committee rose, and, through its chairman, reported progress on

Senate bill No. 163 (file No. 123), entitled

A bill to amend section 35 of Act No. 285 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to provide for the creation of a Department of Labor; to prescribe its powers and duties; to regulate the employment of labor; and to make an appropriation for the maintenance of such department, and to prescribe penalties for the violation of this act," as last amended by Act No. 191 of the Public Acts of 1911.

Recommending that the bill be given further consideration.

The recommendation was concurred in, and the committee was given leave further to consider the bill.

Mr. Oakley moved that the House adjourn.

The motion prevailed, the time being 10:25 o'clock a. m.

The Speaker pro tem. declared the House adjourned until Monday at 9:00 o'clock p. m.

CHARLES S. PIERCE,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.

FORTIETH DAY.

Lansing, Monday, March 8.

9 o'clock p. m.

The House was called to order by the Speaker pro tem.

Religious exercises were conducted by Rev. F. W. Stephenson, of the Main St. Methodist Protestant Church, of Lansing.

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk, who announced that a quorum was present.

Messrs. Haviland, Matthews, Snow and Wood were absent with leave.

Messrs. Bosch, Sheridan Ford, Griggs, Henry, Hulse, James D. Jerome, William F. Jerome, Lamphere, Thomas Read, Samuel J. Smith, Warner and Wieland were absent without leave.

Mr. Charles W. Smith moved that Mr. W. F. Jerome be excused from today's session.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Lewis moved that Mr. Warner be excused from today's session.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Koehler moved that the other absentees without leave be excused from today's session.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Woodruff moved that an indefinite leave of absence be granted to Mr. Lamphere.

The motion prevailed.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

Mr. Whiteley presented

Petition No. 706.

Petition of B. G. Hartman and 17 other citizens of Oscoda county, in favor of a law providing for a closed season on deer for 5 years in the Lower Peninsula, or in lieu thereof, restricting the killing of deer to one buck with horns by each hunter.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Daigneau presented

Petition No. 707.

Petition of D. B. Sutherland and 14 other citizens of Berrien county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 126, relative to prohibiting and preventing adulteration, fraud and deception in the manufacture and sale of articles of food and drink.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Horticulture.

Mr. Daigneau presented

Petition No. 708.

Petition of C. A. Pratt and 13 other citizens of Berrien county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 79, relative to prohibiting the hunting of rabbits with ferrets and guinea pigs.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Horticulture.

Mr. Daigneau presented

Petition No. 709.

Resolutions adopted by the St. Joseph-Michigan Fruit Association, of Berrien county, in favor of the passage of House bill No. 79, relative to prohibiting the hunting of rabbits with ferrets and guinea pigs.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Horticulture.

Mr. Root presented

Petition No. 710.

Petition of May E. Adams and 25 other teachers of Otsego, Allegan county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 64, relative to a retirement fund for teachers.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Root presented

Petition No. 711.

Petition of J. S. Linton and 60 other citizens of Otsego, Allegan county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 64, relative to a retirement fund for teachers.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Rogers presented

Petition No. 712.

Petition of John B. Cleveland and 160 other teachers of Muskegon, Muskegon county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 64, relative to a retirement fund for teachers.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Frank A. Smith presented

Petition No. 713.

Protest of Chas. Podbilski and 15 other citizens of Wexford county, against any change in the rate of passenger fares charged by the railroads of the State.

The protest was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Newel Smith presented

Petition No. 714.

Petition of Clarence Kirby and 49 other citizens of Gratiot county, in favor of the present deer hunting laws.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Samuel J. Smith presented

Petition No. 715.

Protest of F. W. Brown and 33 other citizens of Cheboygan county, against any change in the rate of passenger fares charged by the railroads of the State.

The protest was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Anderson presented

Petition No. 716.

Petition of Paul P. Rohns and 24 other citizens of Empire, Leelanau county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 79, relative to prohibiting the hunting of rabbits with ferrets and guinea pigs.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Horticulture.

Mr. Anderson presented

Petition No. 717.

Petition of Paul P. Rohns and 45 other citizens of Empire, Leelanau county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 126, relative to prohibiting and preventing adulteration, fraud and deception in the manufacture and sale of articles of food and drink.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Horticulture.

Mr. Schmidt presented

Petition No. 718.

Petition of H. G. Warne and 11 other citizens of Reed City, Osceola county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 64, relative to a retirement fund for teachers.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Schmidt presented

Petition No. 719.

Resolutions adopted by the Reed City Board of Trade, Reed City, Osceola county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Oakley presented

Petition No. 720.

Petition of Thos. Cain and 7 other citizens of Bay City, Bay county,

favoring an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Whiteley presented

Petition No. 721.

Petition of Dr. Ford and 19 other citizens of Gaylord, Otsego county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 31, known as the agent's license and qualification bill, and House bill No. 70, known as the anti-discrimination bill.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Insurance.

Mr. Lewis presented

Petition No. 722.

Petition of James Neeson and 22 other citizens of Kendall, Van Buren county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

The Speaker presented

Petition No. 723.

Petition of O. Meyers and 73 other citizens of Lapeer, Lapeer county, requesting the passage of a bill permitting the spearing of fish through the ice during the months of December, January, February and March of each year, in the inland lakes of Lapeer county.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Fish and Fisheries.

Mr. Gayde presented

Petition No. 724.

Petition of Chas. N. Allen and 13 other citizens of Detroit, Wayne county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Gayde presented

Petition No. 725.

Petition of Floyd F. Maxwell and 2 other citizens of the State, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Koehler presented

Petition No. 726.

Petition of Harvey Potts and 27 other citizens of Jackson, Jackson county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Olmsted presented

Petition No. 727.

Petition of John Brown and 5 other citizens of Midland, Midland county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Pray presented

Petition No. 728.

Petition of P. C. Moore and 9 other citizens of the State, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Pray presented

Petition No. 729.

Petition of W. B. Klam and 27 other citizens of Charlotte, Eaton county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Pray presented

Petition No. 730.

Petition of L. E. Ryan and 7 other citizens of Eaton county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Frank A. Smith presented

Petition No. 731.

Protest of Roger E. Williams and 10 other citizens of Luther, Lake county, against any change in the rate of passenger fares charged by the railroads of the State.

The protest was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY CLERK OF PRINTING OF BILLS.

The Clerk announced that the following named bills had been printed and placed upon the files of the members Friday, March 5:

Senate bill No. 30 (file No. 152), entitled

A bill to prohibit the granting of licenses for the sale of spirituous and intoxicating liquors within the incorporated limits of any city, village or township in which are located certain State institutions of higher learning.

Senate bill No. 115 (file No. 153), entitled

A bill to provide for the payment of certain claims allowed to ex-soldiers, sailors and marines who served in the Spanish-American War, which have accrued under the provisions of Act 134 of the Public Acts of 1899, entitled "An act for the relief of sick, disabled and needy ex-soldiers, sailors and marines of the late Spanish-American war," and to extend the time for the presentation of such claims.

Senate bill No. 23 (file No. 154), entitled

A bill to repeal Act No. 181 of the Public Acts of 1897, entitled "An act to prescribe and define a course of studies to be taught in the district schools of this State which shall be known as the agricultural college course."

Senate bill No. 67 (file No. 155), entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of Act No. 112 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to authorize the county commissioner of schools in each

county to call a meeting of the school officers of the county."

Senate bill No. 205 (file No. 157), entitled

A bill to amend Act No. 7 of the Public Acts of 1912, Second Extra Session, entitled "An act to provide for the erection of armories, and make an appropriation therefor," by adding thereto another section to stand as section 5; relative to expenditures by the State in certain cases.

Senate bill No. 206 (file No. 158), entitled

A bill to provide for the preparation, transportation and care of a Michigan exhibit at the national exhibition to be held in connection with the half-century anniversary of negro freedom, in the city of Chicago, in August and September, 1915; to create a commission to manage the said exhibit; and to make an appropriation therefor.

Senate bill No. 208 (file No. 159), entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the Michigan Farm Colony for Epileptics for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1916, to meet a deficiency in the appropriation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1915, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

The Clerk announced that the following named bills had been printed and placed upon the files of the members Monday, March 8:

House bill No. 181 (file No. 72), entitled

A bill to prevent the running at large of domestic animals or fowl upon any grounds of rural cemeteries, and providing a penalty for the violation of this act.

House bill No. 119 (file No. 73), entitled

A bill to amend section 7 of Act No. 206 of the Public Acts of 1893, entitled "An act to provide for the assessment of property and the levy and collection of taxes thereon; and for the collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied; making such taxes a lien on the lands taxed; establishing and continuing such lien, providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes, and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the State and not redeemed or purchased; and to repeal Act No. 200 of the Public Acts of 1891, and all other acts or parts of acts in anywise contravening any of the provisions of this act," being section 7 of chapter 98, and Compiler's section 3830 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by Act No. 309 of the Public Acts of 1909, and as amended by Act No. 174 of the Public Acts of 1911.

House bill No. 190 (file No. 74), entitled

A bill to create and establish the office of county correction officer in counties of this State having a population of less than one hundred thousand; to authorize the appointment of a deputy for such officer in certain cases; to provide for the fixing of the compensation of such officer and deputy; to abolish the offices of county agent of the State Board of Corrections and Charities, county truant officer and probation officer appointed under Act 105 of the Public Acts of 1913, and to vest the duties of said offices in the county correction officer; and to supersede all acts or parts of acts contravening the provisions hereof.

House bill No. 165 (file No. 75), entitled

A bill to amend section 7 of Act No. 211 of the Public Acts of 1893, as amended by Act No. 245 of the Public Acts of 1895, as further amended by Act No. 268 of the Public Acts of 1899, and as further amended by Act No. 230 of the Public Acts of 1903, being entitled "An act to pro-

vide for the appointment of a Dairy and Food Commissioner, and to define his powers and duties and fix his compensation," being compiler's section No. 4979 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

House bill No. 258 (file No. 76), entitled

A bill to establish the validity and to provide for the administration and control of gifts, grants, devises and bequests in trust for religious, educational, charitable or benevolent purposes, and to establish and confirm the jurisdiction of probate court over such trusts.

House bill No. 203 (file No. 77), entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of Act No. 232 of the Public Acts of 1903, entitled "An act to revise and consolidate the laws providing for the incorporation of manufacturing and mercantile companies or any union of the two, and for the incorporation of companies for carrying on any other lawful business, except such as are precluded from organization under this act by its express provisions, and to prescribe the powers and fix the duties and liabilities of such corporations," by adding a new section thereto to stand as section 1a.

House bill No. 231 (file No. 78), entitled

A bill to repeal Act No. 186 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to provide and establish a court of domestic relations in each county of this State, which has a population of upwards of two hundred fifty thousand, to define its jurisdiction and for the purpose of this act to provide for additional circuit judges in such counties," approved May 6, 1913.

House bill No. 208 (file No. 79), entitled

A bill to provide for certain requirements in deeds and instruments affecting real estate in which there are male grantors to entitle same to record.

House bill No. 128 (file No. 80), entitled

A bill to amend section 7 of Act No. 171 of the Public Acts of 1903, entitled "An act for the incorporation of associations not for pecuniary profit."

House bill No. 233 (file No. 81), entitled

A bill to amend section 26 of Act 285 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to provide for the creation of a Department of Labor; to make an appropriation for the maintenance of such department and to prescribe penalties for the violation of this act."

House bill No. 259 (file No. 82), entitled

A bill to amend section 15 of chapter 2; sections 6, 7, 10, 18, 20 and 21 of chapter 4; sections 3, 9, 10, 11 and 12 of chapter 5; section 13 of chapter 8; sections 2 and 3 of chapter 15 of Act No. 283 of the Public Acts of 1909 as amended, entitled "An act to revise, consolidate and add to the laws relating to the establishment, opening, improvement, maintenance and use of the public highways and private roads; the condemnation of property and gravel therefor; the building, repairing and preservation of bridges; setting and protecting shade trees; drainage; cutting weeds and brush within this State, and providing for the election and defining the powers, duties and compensation of State, county, township and district highway officials."

House bill No. 235 (file No. 83), entitled

A bill to amend section 7 of Act No. 168 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to provide for a state superintendent of weights and

measures, State, county and city sealers and inspection of weights and measures, prescribing their powers and duties, providing penalties for fraud and deception in the use of false weights and measures and confiscation thereof, and repealing sections 4882 to 4897 inclusive of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

House bill No. 207 (file No. 84), entitled

A bill to regulate the sale, disposition, distribution and possession of certain habit-forming drugs.

House bill No. 192 (file No. 85), entitled

A bill to amend sections 4, 14, 16, 18, 19 and 22 of an act, entitled "An act to regulate the practice of pharmacy in the State of Michigan," same being Act No. 134 of the Public Acts of 1885, approved June 2, 1885, as amended by Act 332 of the Public Acts of 1905, approved June 20, 1905.

House bill No. 187 (file No. 86), entitled

A bill to amend section 3 of chapter 16 of the Revised Statutes of 1846, entitled "Of the powers and duties of townships and election and duties of township officers," the same being compiler's section 2269 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by Act No. 62 of the Public Acts of 1909.

House bill No. 251 (file No. 87), entitled

A bill to regulate the hours of laborers, workmen and mechanics employed in the erection, construction, remodeling or repairing of any public building or works and providing penalties for violations.

Senate bill No. 114 (file No. 160), entitled

A bill to amend Act No. 98 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act providing for the supervision and control by the State Board of Health over waterworks systems and sewage disposal systems, and providing for the appointment, duties, salary and expenses of a State sanitary engineer, and providing penalties and defining liabilities for violations of this act; and to repeal Act No. 28 of the Public Acts of 1909," by adding thereto a new section to be known as section 13, relative to the appointment of assistant sanitary engineers.

Senate bill No. 130 (file No. 161), entitled

A bill to amend sections 2, 3 and 4 of Act No. 146 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to prohibit and prevent adulteration, misbranding, fraud and deception in the manufacture and sale of drugs and drug products in the State of Michigan and to provide for the enforcement thereof."

Senate bill No. 209 (file No. 162), entitled

A bill to amend section 40 of Act No. 313 of the Public Acts of 1887, entitled "An act to provide for the taxation, licensing and regulation of the business of manufacturing, selling, keeping for sale, furnishing, giving or delivering spirituous and intoxicating liquors and malt, brewed or fermented liquors and vinous liquors in this State, and to repeal all acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act," as added to said act by Act No. 170 of the Public Acts of 1911.

Senate bill No. 210 (file No. 163), entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the erection in the city of Detroit of a suitable memorial monument to the veterans of the Spanish-American war and the Philippine insurrection and to provide for a commission for the carrying out of the provisions of this act.

Senate bill No. 214 (file No. 164), entitled

A bill to prohibit the manufacture, sale, keeping for sale, giving away or furnishing of vinous, malt, brewed, fermented, spirituous or intoxicating liquors, or any mixed liquor or beverage, any part of which is intoxicating, and to prohibit the keeping of any saloon or other place for the manufacture, sale, storing for sale, giving away or furnishing of such liquors or beverages, and to provide for penalties and rights of action in case of its violation.

Senate bill No. 55 (file No. 165), entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of Act No. 334 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to provide for the establishment, survey, improvement and maintenance of State reward trunk line highways, to provide for the payment of double State reward thereon, to define the duties of State, county, good roads district and township officers in regard thereto, and to appropriate funds to carry out the provisions thereof," approved May 13, 1913.

Senate bill No. 79 (file No. 166), entitled

A bill to repeal Act No. 69 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act providing for State inspection of sugar beet testing, weighing and taring, the appointment of inspectors, and the payment for their services," approved April 16, 1913, and to provide for the disposal of moneys accrued under said act, and remaining in the State treasury.

Senate bill No. 72 (file No. 167), entitled

A bill to amend the title and sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 7 of Act 244 of the Public Acts of the State of Michigan for the year 1907, entitled "An act to protect the title and to regulate the practice of veterinary medicine and surgery in all its various branches in the State of Michigan; providing for a State veterinary board and prescribing its duties; regulating existing practitioners; governing undergraduates and reciprocity with other states and provinces; prescribing penalties for its violation and repealing all inconsistent acts," and to add a new section thereto to stand as section 14 of said act.

Senate bill No. 219 (file No. 168), entitled

A bill to amend section 94 of chapter 10 of the Compiled Laws of 1857, said chapter being entitled "Of county officers," being section 2615 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

Senate bill No. 220 (file No. 169), entitled

A bill to regulate the establishment of cemeteries and to define the duties of local boards of health and of the State Board of Health in relation thereto.

Senate joint resolution No. 7 (file No. 170), entitled

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to section 30 of article V of the Constitution, declaring all fish and game legislation to be general acts.

Senate bill No. 192 (file No. 171), entitled

A bill to regulate and control the sale of goods by business houses, or individuals, on the installment plan, and to provide a penalty for violations of the same.

The Clerk announced the enrollment printing and the presentation to the Governor on March 8, for his approval, of the following named bills:

House bill No. 56 (file No. 23), enrolled No. 8, entitled

A bill to amend section 5 of Act No. 147 of the Public Acts of 1891, entitled "An act to provide for the election of a county commissioner of schools, for the appointment of school examiners, and to define the duties and fix the compensation for the same, and to repeal all existing acts or parts of acts conflicting with the provisions of this act," being compiler's section 4812 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as last amended by Act No. 231 of the Public Acts of 1913.

House bill No. 57 (file No. 26), enrolled No. 9, entitled

A bill to amend section 4 of Act No. 65 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to provide for the payment of tuition in and transportation to another district of children who have completed the eighth grade in any school district; and to repeal Act No. 190 of the Public Acts of 1903 and all other acts and parts of acts in any wise cotnra-vening the provisions of this act," as amended by Act No. 14 of the Public Acts of 1911.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Game Laws, by Mr. Kemmerling, Chairman, reported

Senate bill No. 174 (file No. 124), entitled

A bill to provide for the transfer of the powers and duties of the State Game, Fish and Forestry Warden to the Public Domain Commission, and to define the powers and duties of the Public Domain Commission in relation thereto, and to repeal all acts or parts of acts which conflict therewith.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting

Senate bill No. 94 (file No. 67), entitled

A bill to amend sections 4 and 6 of Act No. 334 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to provide for the establishment, survey, improvement and maintenance of State reward trunk line highways, to provide for the payment of double State reward thereon, to define the duties of State, county, good roads district and township officers in regard thereto, and to appropriate funds to carry out the provisions thereof," approved May 13, 1913.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Roads and Bridges.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting

Senate bill No. 124 (file No. 86), entitled

A bill to amend the title and sections 1 and 8 of Act No. 125 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation

and regulation of co-operative and mutual protective associations of railway conductors and engineers," approved May 26, 1909.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Labor.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting
Senate bill No. 147 (file No. 104), entitled

A bill to provide for the establishment of a general hospital department in the Traverse City State Hospital, to provide for the government thereof and for the reception and treatment of patients seeking medical or surgical aid therein.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Traverse City State Hospital.

A message was received from the Senate returning
House bill No. 106 (file No. 30), entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of Act No. 243 of the Public Acts of 1903, as amended by Act No. 119 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act in relation to the manufacture and sale of renovated butter."

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill.

The bill was referred to the Clerk for enrollment printing and presentation to the Governor.

A message was received from the Senate returning
House joint resolution No. 2 (file No. 34), entitled

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to article VIII of the Constitution of this State, by adding a new section thereto, to stand as section 15a. of said article, authorizing drainage districts to issue bonds for drainage purposes.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had agreed to the joint resolution.

The joint resolution was referred to the Clerk for enrollment printing and filing with the Secretary of State.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Oakley introduced
House bill No. 309, entitled

A bill to provide for the licensing of adjusters of companies carrying workmen's compensation insurance and the suspension and revocation of such licenses.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Labor.

Mr. Person introduced
House bill No. 310, entitled

A bill relating to the regulation, conduct, management and equip-

ment of hotels, inns and public lodging houses, to provide a proper inspection of the same and to provide a punishment for violations of this act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. McMillan introduced

House bill No. 311, entitled

A bill to amend section 10 of chapter 5 of Act No. 283 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to revise, consolidate and add to the laws relating to the establishment, opening, improvement, maintenance and use of the public highways and private roads, the condemnation of property and gravel therefor; the building, repairing and preservation of bridges; setting and protecting shade trees, drainage, cutting weeds and brush within this State, and providing for the election and defining the powers, duties and compensation of State, county, township and district highway officials," as last amended by Act No. 355 of the Public Acts of 1913.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Roads and Bridges.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 114 (file No. 69), entitled

A bill to authorize the board of supervisors of each county to receive, appropriate and raise money by tax for the purpose of encouraging and improving agriculture within the county by co-operating with the Michigan Agricultural College or the United States Department of Agriculture in employing a county agricultural agent.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Gayde	Mr. O'Brien	Mr. Smith, F. A.
Anderson	Gettel	Olmsted	Smith, Newel
Ashley	Green	Ormsbee	Sours
Averill	Hinkley	Palmer	Stevens
Biggerstaff	Hoffman	Penney	Stevenson
Chapin	Hopkins	Person	Sutton
Clark	Jones	Petermann	Symonds
Cowan	Keen	Place	Tufts
Croll	Kemmerling	Pray	Van Antwerp
Culver	Koehler	Quintel	Vine
Daigneau	Kooyers	Reed, C. J.	Ward
Daprato	Leland	Robertson	Watkins
De Boer	Lewis	Rogers	Weissert
Edwards	McMillan	Root	Wells
Evens	Martin	Ross	Whiteley
Ewing	Martz	Schmidt	Wiley
Flowers	Miller	Sherman	Wolcott
Follett	Moore	Shields	Woodruff
Foote	Nank	Sly	Wright
Ford, R. L.	Oakley	Smith, C. W.	Speaker pro tem
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NAYS.

The question being on agreeing to the title of the bill,

Mr. Clark moved to amend the title to read as follows:

A bill to authorize the board of supervisors of each county to receive, appropriate and raise money by tax for the purpose of encouraging and improving agriculture within the county by cooperating with the Michigan Agricultural College or the United States Department of Agriculture, in employing a county agricultural agent, and to repeal Act No. 3 of the Public Acts of 1912, Second Special Session, and all other acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act.

The motion prevailed.

The House agreed to the title of the bill as amended.

House bill No. 98 (file No. 70), entitled

A bill to prevent unlawful discrimination in the purchase for resale or manufacture of wheat, oats, corn, rye, barley, clover seed, beans, hay or potatoes, and to provide a punishment for the same.

Pending the third reading of the bill,

Mr. Moore moved that the bill be re-referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

The motion prevailed.

GENERAL ORDERS OF THE DAY.

Mr. Pray moved that the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole on the general orders.

The motion prevailed.

The Speaker pro tem. called Mr. Pray to the chair.

After a time spent in the consideration of bills upon the general orders, the committee rose, and, through its chairman, made a report recommending the passage, without amendment, of the following entitled bills:

House bill No. 201 (file No. 63), entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the Michigan Agricultural College for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1916, to meet a deficiency in the current expense or aid fund for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1914, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

Senate bill No. 24 (file No. 22), entitled

A bill to provide for completing the records of plats in the office of the Auditor General by making an examination of all plats on file in the registers of deeds' offices in the several counties of this State, making tracings of all plats of record that are not of record in the office of the Auditor General, from which blue prints shall be made and filed in the office of the Auditor General, for the re-designation of captions of plats now on file for assessment purposes, and making an appropriation therefor; and requiring county officers to furnish necessary information and certified copies of certain court orders.

The bills were placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

The Committee of the Whole reported
House bill No. 195 (file No. 58), entitled

A bill to provide for the payment of bounties for the killing of common rats.

Recommending the adoption of the following amendments thereto, and the passage of the bill when so amended:

1. Amend by striking out of line 4 of section 1 the word "ten" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "five."

2. Amend by inserting in line 4 of section 2 after the word "claim" the words "said township, village or city clerk."

The question being on the adoption of the proposed amendments made by the committee,

The amendments were adopted and the bill was placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

The Committee of the Whole reported
House bill No. 149 (file No. 59), entitled

A bill to amend section 17 of Act 275 of the Public Acts of 1911, entitled "An act to provide for the protection of game and birds, to regulate the taking, possession, use and transportation of the same, to prohibit the sale thereof, to regulate the manner of hunting, pursuing and killing of game or birds, to provide a penalty for the violation of any of the provisions of this act, and to repeal inconsistent acts and parts of acts," as amended by Act 167 of the Public Acts of 1913.

Recommending the adoption of the following amendment thereto, and the passage of the bill when so amended:

1. Amend by striking out of line 10 of section 17 the word "fifty" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "twenty-five."

The question being on the adoption of the proposed amendment made by the committee,

The amendment was adopted and the bill was placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

Mr. Averill moved that the House adjourn.

The motion prevailed, the time being 10:30 o'clock p. m.

The Speaker pro tem. declared the House adjourned until tomorrow at 2:00 o'clock p. m.

CHARLES S. PIERCE,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.

FORTY-FIRST DAY.

Lansing, Tuesday, March 9.

2:00 o'clock p. m.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

Religious exercises were conducted by Rev. J. W. Jarvis, of the African Methodist Episcopal Church, of Lansing.

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk, who announced that a quorum was present.

Messrs. W. F. Jerome, Pray, S. J. Smith, Stevens and Warner were absent without leave.

Mr. Schmidt moved that Mr. Stevens be excused from today's session. The motion prevailed.

Mr. Shields moved that Mr. S. J. Smith be excused from today's session.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Lewis moved that Mr. Warner be excused from today's session. The motion prevailed.

Mr. Hopkins moved that an indefinite leave of absence be granted to Mr. W. F. Jerome.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Averill moved that the other absentees without leave be excused from today's session.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Hinkley moved that indefinite leaves of absence be granted to Messrs. Foote and Nank after today's session.

The motion prevailed.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

Mr. Penney presented

Petition No. 732.

Petition of Leo Franz and 22 other citizens of the State, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Sutton presented

Petition No. 733.

Petition of Jos. Liefleck and 136 other citizens of Washtenaw county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Place presented

Petition No. 734.

Petition of the Rural Women's Christian Temperance Union of Three Rivers, St. Joseph county, requesting the passage of a bill, relative to the reading of the Holy Bible in the public schools of this State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Person presented

Petition No. 735.

Petition of the Negro Civic League of Lansing, Ingham county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 206 (file No. 158), relative to making an appropriation for an exhibit at the National Half Century Anniversary of Negro Freedom to be held in Chicago, August, 1915.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. Sherman presented

Petition No. 736.

Petition of Edgar Warren and 78 other citizens of Caro, Tuscola county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 64, relative to a retirement fund for teachers.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Ransom L. Ford presented

Petition No. 737.

Petition of James Houston and 10 other members of the Swartz Creek Chamber of Commerce, Genesee county, in favor of increasing the rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State to 21½ cents.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Place presented

Petition No. 738.

Petition of R. S. Butler and 59 other citizens of Centreville, St. Joseph county, requesting the passage of a bill relative to the reading of the Holy Bible in the public schools of this State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Anderson presented

Petition No. 739.

Petition of L. E. Bahle and 16 other citizens of Sutton's Bay, Leelanau county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 79, relative to prohibiting the hunting of rabbits with ferrets and guinea pigs.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Horticulture.

Mr. Anderson presented

Petition No. 740.

Petition of L. E. Bahle and 16 other citizens of Sutton's Bay, Leelanau county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 126, relative to prohibiting and preventing adulteration, fraud and deception in the manufacture and sale of articles of food and drink.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Horticulture:

Mr. Sours presented

Petition No. 741.

Petition of Geo. H. Curtis and 53 other teachers of Traverse City, Grand Traverse county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 64, relative to a retirement fund for teachers.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Sours presented

Petition No. 742.

Resolutions adopted by the Williamsburg Grange No. 649, of Williamsburg, Grand Traverse county, protesting against any change in the rate of passenger fares charged by the railroads of the State.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Henry presented

Petition No. 743.

Petition of Wm. Butler and 15 other citizens of Marshall, Calhoun county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Frank A. Smith presented

Petition No. 744.

Protest of Frank O. Peterson and 18 other citizens of Cadillac, Wexford county, against any change in the rate of passenger fares charged by the railroads of the State.

The protest was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Chapin presented

Petition No. 745.

Resolutions adopted by Mancelona Grange No. 709, Antrim county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 48, relative to prohibiting the manufacture, sale, keeping for sale or giving away cigarettes.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Hulse presented

Petition No. 746.

Petition of George Petrey and 238 other students of Cadillac high school, requesting the passage of House bill No. 48, relative to prohibiting the manufacture, sale, keeping for sale or giving away cigarettes.

The petition was referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Matthews presented

Petition No. 747.

Petition of C. A. Woodbridge and 60 other citizens of Berrien county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Penney presented

Petition No. 748.

Petition of Dr. F. A. Burlingame and 30 other citizens of St. Charles, Saginaw county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Wood presented

Petition No. 749.

Petition of J. W. Sanford and 88 other citizens of Jackson county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Hulse presented

Petition No. 750.

Protest of H. M. Face and 52 other citizens of Maple Rapids, Clinton county, against the passage of House bill No. 192, relative to regulating the practice of pharmacy in the State.

The protest was referred to the Committee on Public Health.

Mr. Hulse presented

Petition No. 751.

Petition of Ruby Hooker and 12 other members of the Charlevoix County Normal Class requesting the passage of House bill No. 48, relative to prohibiting the manufacture, sale, keeping for sale or giving away cigarettes.

The petition was referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Hulse presented

Petition No. 752.

Resolutions adopted by Mancelona Grange No. 709, of Mancelona, Antrim county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 48, relative to prohibiting the manufacture, sale, keeping for sale or giving away cigarettes.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Snow presented

Petition No. 753.

Petition of C. H. Layton and 36 other citizens of Kalamazoo county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 48, relative to prohibiting the manufacture, sale, keeping for sale or giving away cigarettes.

The petition was referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Person presented

Petition No. 754.

Petition of R. M. Gardner and 342 other members of the Michigan Avenue Men's Class of Lansing, Ingham county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 48, relative to prohibiting the manufacture, sale, keeping for sale or giving away cigarettes.

The petition was referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Penney presented

Petition No. 755.

Petition of Edward Hollenbeck and 124 other students of the high schools of Saginaw, Saginaw county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 48, relative to prohibiting the manufacture, sale, keeping for sale or giving away cigarettes.

The petition was referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Koehler presented

Petition No. 756.

Protest of Arthur E. Wood and 20 other citizens of Detroit, Wayne county, protesting against the passage of House bill No. 139, relative to co-ordination of the health service of the State.

Mr. Koehler moved that the protest be spread at length upon the Journal.

The motion prevailed.

The following is the protest:

To the Honorable House of Representatives, Lansing, Mich.

Dear Sirs:—We, the undersigned, citizens or residents of Detroit, county of Wayne, State of Michigan, do hereby protest against the passage of House bill No. 139, introduced by Wm. F. Jerome, for the purpose of co-ordinating the health service of the State, for the following reasons:

1st. This is a most vicious piece of class legislation designed for the purpose of compelling recognition of one class of medical practitioners to the exclusion of all others, and clearly abridges the rights of citizens to the freedom granted them under the Constitution of the State and of the government in that it allows entry to and examination of the home without any process of law.

2nd. The enormous addition to the State taxes which will ultimately be incidental to the passage of this bill is far beyond compensation for any benefits which may be hoped therefrom.

3rd. This bill places upon any rules of the State Health Board the sanction of the Legislature, giving these rulings the power and authority of a statute of the State.

4th. This legislation is not asked for by the people. Any demand which may be presented for the passage of this bill is an artificial one

created solely at the urgent request of a class of political physicians who are now in control of the Health Department of our State.

5th. Every section or community within our State, no matter how remote, is today governed in health matters by statutes of the State, which are more than sufficient to meet the needs thereof, whether ordinary or extraordinary, and further legislation could not possibly provide better statutory protection.

The protest was referred to the Committee on Public Health.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Ways and Means, by Mr. Hinkley, Chairman, reported

Senate bill No. 25 (file No. 23), entitled

A bill to provide a tax to meet the amounts disbursed by the State for the several State hospitals, the Michigan Home and Training School and the Eloise Hospital, for the support of patients under the several laws relating thereto.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Ways and Means, by Mr. Hinkley, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 53, entitled

A bill to provide a tax to meet the amounts disbursed by the State for the current expenses of the Michigan State Prison, the State House of Correction and Branch Prison in the Upper Peninsula and the Michigan Reformatory.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Ways and Means, by Mr. Hinkley, Chairman, reported

Senate bill No. 174 (file No. 124), entitled

A bill to provide for the transfer of the powers and duties of the State Game, Fish and Forestry Warden to the Public Domain Commission, and to define the powers and duties of the Public Domain Commission in relation thereto and to repeal all acts or parts of acts which conflict therewith.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Roads and Bridges, by Mr. Daprato, Chairman, reported

Senate bill No. 94 (file No. 67), entitled

A bill to amend sections 4 and 6 of Act No. 334 of the Public Acts

of 1913 entitled "An act to provide for the establishment, survey, improvement and maintenance of State reward trunk line highways, to provide for the payment of double State reward thereon, to define the duties of the State, county, good roads district and township officers in regard thereto, and to appropriate funds to carry out the provisions thereof," approved May 13, 1913.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Roads and Bridges, by Mr. Daprato, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 191, entitled

A bill to amend section 7 of chapter 1 of Act No. 283 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to revise, consolidate and add to the laws relating to the establishment, opening, improvement, maintenance and use of the public highways and private roads; the condemnation of property and gravel therefor; the building, repairing and preservation of bridges; setting and protecting shade trees; drainage; cutting weeds and brush within the State, and providing for the election and defining the powers, duties and compensation of State, county, township and district highway officials."

With the following amendment thereto, recommending that the amendment be concurred in and that when so amended the bill pass:

1. Amend by striking out of line 10 of section 7 the words "who shall" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "and there shall be deposited with the township clerk the sum of \$25 to cover the cost of such appeal and the said appeal fee shall be deposited in the general fund of the township unless said appeal shall be sustained and if said appeal be sustained the appeal fee so deposited shall be returned to the person making the appeal and the township clerk shall."

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the amendment to the bill recommended by the committee,

The amendment was adopted.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Judiciary, by Mr. Flowers, Chairman, reported House bill No. 303, entitled

A bill to amend section 29 of chapter 145 of the Revised Statutes of 1846 relative to the powers, duties and obligations of assignees of insolvent debtors, as amended by Act 161 of the Public Acts of 1869, the same being section 9673 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Judiciary, by Mr. Flowers, Chairman, reported House bill No. 302, entitled

A bill to authorize the general laws of this State entitled "Howell's

Annotated Statutes of the State of Michigan, Second Edition," to be received and used in evidence.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Judiciary, by Mr. Flowers, Chairman, reported House bill No. 24 (file No. 10), entitled

A bill to amend sections 10, 11, 12, 13 and 16 of chapter 81 of the Revised Statutes of 1846, entitled "Fraudulent conveyances and contracts relative to personal property," being sections 9523, 9524, 9525, 9526 and 9529 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, said section 9523 being last amended by Act No. 332 of the Public Acts of 1907.

With the following amendment thereto, recommending that the amendment be concurred in and that when so amended the bill pass:

1. Amend by striking out of line 32, section 10, the words "other goods and chattels" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "any part thereof."

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the amendment to the bill recommended by the committee,

The amendment was adopted.

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Public Health, by Mr. Newel Smith, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 45, entitled

A bill to provide for the examination, registration, regulation and licensing of chiropodists, and for the punishment of offenders against this act, and to repeal acts or parts of acts in conflict therewith.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Public Health, by Mr. Newel Smith, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 229, entitled

A bill to amend section 5 of Act No. 217 of Public Acts of 1897, entitled "An act to provide for the registration of deaths in Michigan, and requiring certificates of death."

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Public Health, by Mr. Newel Smith, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 277, entitled

A bill to promote the health, safety and welfare of the people by

regulating the light and ventilation, sanitation, fire protection, maintenance, alteration and improvement of dwellings; to define the classes of dwellings affected by the act, to establish administrative requirements and to establish remedies and fix penalties for the violation thereof.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Agriculture, by Mr. Schmidt, Chairman, reported House bill No. 245, entitled

A bill to regulate the receiving of gifts and gratuities by employees of agricultural societies and others.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Agriculture, by Mr. Schmidt, Chairman, reported House bill 297, entitled

A bill to provide for the investigation and improvement of marketing conditions and establishing the office of market director and prescribing the duties and powers thereof and making an annual appropriation therefor.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The Committee on Military Affairs, by Mr. Culver, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 304, entitled

A bill to provide for the furnishing, at public expense, suitable markers for the graves of honorably discharged soldiers, sailors and marines who served in the army of the United States, to provide for the marking and designation of such graves for memorial purposes, to provide a penalty for the removal or destruction of such markers or designs when placed, and to repeal Act No. 136 of the Public Acts of 1907.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

Mr. Pray entered the House and took his seat.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting Senate bill No. 116 (file No. 141), entitled

A bill to amend section 6 of Act No. 81 of the Public Acts of 1873,

entitled "An act to establish a State Board of Health, to provide for the appointment of a superintendent of vital statistics, and to assign certain duties to local boards of health," as amended by Act No. 18 of the Public Acts of 1905, being section 4402 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Public Health.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting
Senate bill No. 133 (file No. 144), entitled

A bill to amend section 4 of Act No. 81 of the Public Acts of 1873, entitled "An act to establish a State Board of Health, to provide for the appointment of a superintendent of vital statistics, and to assign certain duties to local boards of health," as amended by Act No. 18 of the Public Acts of 1905, being section 4400 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Public Health.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting
Senate bill No. 125 (file No. 134), entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of Act No. 81 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to provide for the treatment in certain institutions of this State of persons desiring and applying for treatment for mental disorders.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Public Health.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting
Senate bill No. 98 (file No. 71), entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of Act No. 147 of the Public Acts of 1889, entitled "An act to regulate the uniformity of, and to provide free school textbooks in public schools throughout the State, and the distribution of the same, and to repeal all statutes and acts contravening the provisions of this act," being section 4775 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Education.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Flowers introduced

House bill No. 312, entitled

A bill to create the Michigan State Board of Administration, to define

its powers and to repeal all acts or parts of acts inconsistent therewith.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Martz introduced

House bill No. 313, entitled

A bill to provide for Saturday afternoon half-holidays for clerks in retail stores in cities having a population of two hundred fifty thousand or over, and regulating their pay-days.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Culver introduced

House bill No. 314, entitled

A bill to amend sections 9, 11, 18, 22, 29, 30, 45, 46, 49 and 78 of Act No. 84 of the Public Acts of 1909, as amended by Acts Nos. 67 and 172 of the Public Acts of 1911, and Act No. 157 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to increase the efficiency of the military establishment of the State of Michigan, to make an appropriation therefor, and to repeal all former acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act," approved May 12, 1909.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. Palmer introduced

House bill No. 315, entitled

A bill to provide for the protection of all species of edible frogs in this State; to regulate the sale, and having in possession of frogs or portion of the carcass thereof and providing penalties for the violation of this act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Fish and Fisheries.

Mr. Sutton introduced

House bill No. 316, entitled

A bill to provide for the teaching in the public schools the causes which decay the teeth, creating ill health through dental neglect, and the best methods for the restriction and prevention of such decay and neglect.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Public Health.

Mr. Nank introduced

House bill No. 317, entitled

A bill to bar debts and obligations against unprobated estates of deceased persons, after the lapse of a certain length of time in certain cases, and to repeal all acts or parts of acts in conflict with the provisions of this act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Kooyers introduced

House bill No. 318, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of Act No. 79 of the Session Laws of 1869, entitled "An act to authorize the judges of probate of certain counties to appoint a register and prescribing his duties and compensation," being section 2554 of the Compiled Laws of 1897; to prescribe the compensation to be paid probate registers.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Clarence J. Reed introduced

House bill No. 319, entitled

A bill to provide for the payment of salaries to the sheriff, undersheriff, county clerk, county treasurer, register of deeds and prosecuting attorney or any of said officers in the several counties of this State; to provide for the collection of fees and the payment thereof by said officers into the county treasury; and to prescribe penalties for the violation of this act, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in contravention thereto.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Towns and Counties.

Mr. Person introduced

House bill No. 320.

A bill to amend sections 10 and 11 of chapter 171 of the Revised Statutes of 1846, entitled "Of county jails and the regulation thereof," being sections 2659 and 2660 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as last amended by Act No. 10 of the Public Acts of 1909.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. DeBoer introduced

House bill No. 321, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1 and 2 of Act No. 301 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to provide for the licensing, bonding and regulation of private employment agencies, the limiting of the amount of the fee charged by such agencies, the refunding of such fees in certain cases, the imposing of obligations on persons, firms or corporations which have induced workmen to travel in the hope of securing employment, charging the Commissioner of Labor with the enforcement of this act and empowering him to make rules and regulations, and fixing penalties for the violation hereof."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Labor.

SPECIAL ORDER.

2:30 o'clock p. m.

The Speaker laid before the House

House bill No. 55 (file No. 18), entitled

A bill to provide for the registration, identification, and regulation of

motor vehicles operated upon the public highways of this State and of the operators of such vehicles, and to provide for levying specific taxes upon such vehicles so operated and registering certain operators thereof, and to provide for the disposition of such funds, and to provide for other means of taxation of motor vehicles so operated, and to repeal all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith or contrary hereto.

Mr. Croll moved that the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole on the special orders.

The motion prevailed.

The Speaker called Mr. Croll to the chair.

After a time spent in the consideration of the bill upon the special orders, the committee rose, and, through its chairman, made a report recommending the adoption of the following amendments to the bill and the passage of the bill when so amended:

1. Amend by striking out of line 4 of section 1 the words "not used for hire or gain."

2. Amend by inserting in line 3 of section 8 after the word "herein-after" the words "set forth."

3. Amend by striking out of each of lines 21 and 22 of section 12 the word "seal" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "coat-of-arms."

4. Amend by striking out of line 11 of section 13 the words "registration fee" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "tax."

5. Amend by inserting in line 11 of section 16 after the word "proceeding" the words "Every motor vehicle or other vehicle equipped with and using electric light or lights upon any of the public highways of this State, shall be provided and equipped with some practical and efficient device or devices whereby the forward light or lights of such vehicle may be dimmed or lessened at the will of the driver or chauffeur to such an extent that such electric light or the reflection therefrom through said forward light or lights will not interfere with the sight of nor temporarily blind the vision of the driver of an approaching vehicle; and it shall be the duty of every chauffeur or driver of such motor vehicle or other vehicle equipped with and using electric lights upon the public highways of this State to effectually apply such dimmer to the forward light or lights of the vehicle being driven by him and cause such light or lights to be dimmed and lessened so as not to interfere with the sight or temporarily blind the vision of the driver of any approaching vehicle."

6. Amend by striking out of line 2 of section 17 the word "whose" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "the."

7. Amend by inserting in line 6 of section 27 after the word "State" the words "or province."

8. Amend by striking out of line 3 of section 35 the word "five" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "two and one-half."

9. Amend by renumbering sections 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36 and 37, to stand as sections 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35 and 36.

The question being on the adoption of the proposed amendments made by the committee,

The amendments were adopted and the bill was placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 201 (file No. 63), entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the Michigan Agricultural College for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1916, to meet a deficiency in the current expense or aid fund for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1914, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Gayde	Mr. Nank	Mr. Sly
Anderson	Gettel	Nelson	Smith, F. A.
Averill	Green	Oakley	Smith, Newel
Biggerstaff	Griggs	O'Brien	Snow
Bosch	Henry	Olmsted	Sours
Chapin	Hinkley	Ormsbee	Stevenson
Clark	Hoffman	Palmer	Sutton
Cowan	Hopkins	Penney	Symonds
Croll	Hulse	Person	Van Antwerp
Culver	Jones	Petermann	Vine
Daigneau	Keen	Place	Ward
Daprato	Kemmerling	Pray	Watkins
De Boer	Koehler	Quintel	Weissert
Edwards	Kooyers	Read, Thos.	Wells
Empson	Lamphere	Reed, C. J	Whiteley
Evans	Leland	Rice	Wieland
Ewing	Lewis	Robertson	Wiley
Flowers	McMillan	Rogers	Wolcott
Follett	Martin	Root	Wood
Foote	Martz	Ross	Woodruff
Ford, R. L.	Matthews	Schmidt	Wright
Ford, Sheridan	Miller	Sherman	Speaker
Francis	Moore	Shields	

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

Mr. Person moved that the bill be ordered to take immediate effect.

The motion prevailed, two-thirds of all the members-elect voting therefor.

Senate bill No. 24 (file No. 22), entitled

A bill to provide for completing the records of plats in the office of the Auditor General by making an examination of all plats on file in the registers of deeds' offices in the several counties of this State, making tracings of all plats of record that are not of record in the office of the Auditor General, from which blue prints shall be made and filed in the office of the Auditor General, for the re-designation of captions of

plats now on file for assessment purposes, and making an appropriation therefor; and requiring county officers to furnish necessary information and certified copies of certain court orders.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Gettel	Mr. Nank	Mr. Sly
Anderson	Green	Nelson	Smith, F. A.
Averill	Griggs	Oakley	Smith, Newel
Bosch	Haviland	O'Brien	Snow
Chapin	Henry	Olmsted	Sours
Clark	Hinkley	Ormsbee	Stevenson
Cowan	Hoffman	Penney	Sutton
Croll	Hopkins	Petermann	Symonds
Culver	Hulse	Place	Van Antwerp
Daprato	Jerome, J. D.	Pray	Vine
De Boer	Keen	Quintel	Ward
Edwards	Kemmerling	Read, Thos.	Watkins
Empson	Koehler	Reed, C. J.	Weissert
Evens	Kooyers	Rice	Wells
Ewing	Leland	Robertson	Whiteley
Flowers	Lewis	Rogers	Wiley
Follett	McMillan	Root	Wolcott
Foote	Martin	Ross	Wood
Ford, R. L.	Martz	Schmidt	Woodruff
Ford, Sheridan	Miller	Sherman	Wright
Francis	Moore	Shields	Speaker

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Mr. Ashley Mr. Biggerstaff Mr. Wieland

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

Mr. Hinkley moved that the bill be ordered to take immediate effect.

The motion prevailed, two-thirds of all the members-elect voting therefor.

House bill No. 195 (file No. 58), entitled

A bill to provide for the payment of bounties for the killing of common rats.

Was read a third time and, the question being on its passage,

Mr. Penney moved to amend the bill:

1. By inserting in line 1 of section 2, after the word "take," the words "the heads of," also by inserting in line 6 of section 2 after the word "destroy" the words "the heads of."

The motion prevailed and the amendment was adopted, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor.

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Francis	Mr. Penney	Mr. Smith, Newel
Anderson	Gayde	Petermann	Snow
Ashley	Green	Place	Sours
Averill	Haviland	Pray	Stevenson
Bosch	Hoffman	Quintel	Symonds
Chapin	Hulse	Reed, C. J.	Van Antwerp
Culver	Jones	Rice	Vine
Daprato	Keen	Robertson	Ward
De Boer	Koehler	Rogers	Watkins
Edwards	Kooyers	Root	Weissert
Empson	Martin	Ross	Wells
Evens	Miller	Schmidt	Wiley
Ewing	Moore	Sherman	Wood
Flowers	Nelson	Shields	Woodruff
Follett	Oakley	Sly	Wright
Ford, R. L.	O'Brien	Smith, F. A.	Speaker
Ford, Sheridan	Palmer		

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Mr. Biggerstaff	Mr. Henry	Mr. Lewis	Mr. Ormsbee
Clark	Hinkley	McMillan	Person
Cowan	Hopkins	Martz	Read, Thos.
Croll	Jerome, Jas. D.	Matthews	Whiteley
Daigneau	Kemmerling	Nank	Wieland
Gettel	Lamphere	Olmsted	Wolcott
Griggs	Leland		

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

House bill No. 149 (file No. 59), entitled

A bill to amend section 17 of Act 275 of the Public Acts of 1911, entitled "An act to provide for the protection of game and birds; to regulate the taking, possession, use and transportation of the same; to prohibit the sale thereof; to regulate the manner of hunting, pursuing and killing of game or birds; to provide a penalty for the violation of any of the provisions of this act, and to repeal inconsistent acts and parts of acts," as amended by Act 167 of the Public Acts of 1913.

Was read a third time and, the question being on its passage,

Mr. Penney moved to amend the bill:

1. By inserting in line 14 of section 14, after the word "deer" the words "Provided, That it shall be lawful for a deer hunting party consisting of eight persons or less to kill one deer, to be used for meat or food for said hunting party while in camp, and it shall be lawful for a deer hunting party consisting of more than eight persons to kill two deer to be used for meat or food for said hunting party while in camp."

The motion did not prevail.

Mr. Rogers moved to amend the bill

By inserting in line 7 of section 17 after the words "ruffed grouse," the words "twenty-five."

The motion did not prevail.

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Ashley	Mr. Griggs	Mr. O'Brien	Mr. Sours
Averill	Hoffman	Olmsted	Stevenson
Cowan	Hopkins	Palmer	Sutton
Croll	Hulse	Penney	Symonds
Culver	Jerome, J. D.	Person	Van Antwerp
Daigneau	Jones	Petermann	Vine
Daprato	Koehler	Quintel	Ward
Edwards	Leland	Reed, C. J.	Watkins
Empson	McMillan	Robertson	Whiteley
Ewing	Martin	Root	Wieland
Flowers	Matthews	Sherman	Wiley
Follett	Miller	Shields	Wolcott
Ford, Sheridan	Moore	Sly	Wood
Francis	Nelson	Smith, Newel	Wright
Gettel	Oakley	Snow	Speaker
Green			

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Mr. Amon	Mr. Foote	Mr. Lamphere	Mr. Rogers
Anderson	Ford, R. L.	Lewis	Ross
Biggerstaff	Gayde	Martz	Schmidt
Bosch	Henry	Nank	Smith, F. A.
Chapin	Hinkley	Ormsbee	Weissert
Clark	Keen	Read, Thos.	Wells
De Boer	Kemmerling	Rice	Woodruff
Evans	Kooyers		

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Pending the announcement of the vote upon the bill,
 Mr. Koehler demanded the vote of Mr. Jones.
 Mr. Jones voted yea and was so recorded.
 The House agreed to the title of the bill.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Hinkley moved that when the House adjourns today it stand adjourned until tomorrow at 1:00 o'clock p. m.
 The motion prevailed.

Mr. Follett offered the following concurrent resolution:
 House concurrent resolution No. 15.

Whereas, There is in prospect a great loss to the agricultural interests of Michigan by the failure to find a market for the immense potato crop, which must necessarily occasion great waste of food, and that there is a possibility of utilizing such for good by means of drying or otherwise; therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That the Secretary of the Public Domain Commission be requested to take immediate steps to ascertain the commercial possibilities for dried potatoes, or potato flour, in the domestic or foreign market, and the utilization of the pulp driers in the sugar beet factories or in the chicory factories, to the benefit of Michigan industries, and make a report to the Legislature of his findings.

The Speaker announced that under Rule 50 the resolution would lie over one day.

Mr. Culver moved that

House bill No. 210 (file No. 65), entitled

A bill to provide for a board of education for cities having a population of two hundred fifty thousand or over and comprising a single school district; to fix their terms of office, and the manner of the nomination and election of the members thereof.

Now on the order of General Orders, be re-referred to the Committee on Elections.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Haviland moved that the House adjourn.

The motion prevailed, the time being 5:30 o'clock p. m.

The Speaker declared the House adjourned until tomorrow at 1:00 o'clock p. m.

CHARLES S. PIERCE,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.

FORTY-SECOND DAY.

Lansing, Wednesday, March 10.

1:00 o'clock p. m.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk, who announced that a quorum was present.

Messrs. Foote, William F. Jerome and Nank were absent with leave.
Messrs. Sheridan Ford, Pray, Samuel J. Smith and Warner were absent without leave.

Mr. McMillan moved that all absentees without leave be excused from today's session.

The motion prevailed.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

Mr. Sheridan Ford presented
Petition No. 757.

Petition of J. W. Cause and 9 other citizens of Detroit, Wayne county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Watkins presented
Petition No. 758.

Petition of Frank Lee and 18 other citizens of Grand Rapids, Kent county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Lewis presented
Petition No. 759.

Petition of W. B. Lyle and 45 other citizens of Lawton, VanBuren county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Oakley presented
Petition No. 760.

Petition of John Baker and 18 other citizens of Bay City, Bay county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Oakley presented
Petition No. 761.

Petition of Walter E. Moore and 64 other students of the public schools of Bay City, Bay county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 48, relative to prohibiting the manufacture, sale, keeping for sale or giving away cigarettes.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Public Health.

Mr. Henry presented
Petition No. 762.

Petition of Geo. W. O'Malley and 16 other citizens of Marshall, Calhoun county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Wolcott presented
Petition No. 763.

Petition of Taylor & Fish and 22 other citizens of Calhoun county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Wolcott presented
Petition No. 764.

Protest of A. F. Prior and 23 other citizens of Tekonsha, Calhoun county, against the passage of any law imposing burdensome conditions or high license for selling domestic and stock remedies, spices, extracts, etc., by retail from wagons.

The protest was referred to the Committee on Public Health.

Mr. Snow presented
Petition No. 765.

Petition of L. Bolster and 8 other citizens of Augusta, Kalamazoo county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 64, relative to a retirement fund for teachers.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Snow presented
Petition No. 766.

Petition of W. J. Correll and 10 other citizens of Kalamazoo, Kalamazoo county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Haviland presented

Petition No. 767.

Petition of William Koch and 148 other citizens of St. Clair county, requesting the passage of a bill to amend division 1 of section 2 of Act 234 of the Public Acts of Michigan for the year 1913, so as to provide for the construction of the State trunk highway on the town line between the townships of Ira, Casco, Cottrelville and China, and leading into Marine City.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Roads and Bridges.

Mr. Clarence J. Reed presented

Petition No. 768.

Petition of C. Wyer and 150 other citizens of Jackson county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Sherman presented

Petition No. 769.

Petition of S. A. Durham and 12 other citizens of Tuscola, Tuscola county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 64, relative to a retirement fund for teachers.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Sherman presented

Petition No. 770.

Petition of George W. Frasier and 13 other citizens of Mayville, Tuscola county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 64, relative to a retirement fund for teachers.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Sherman presented

Petition No. 771.

Petition of C. E. Dalrymple and 21 other citizens of Fostoria, Tuscola county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 64, relative to a retirement fund for teachers.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Sherman presented

Petition No. 772.

Petition of Chas. W. Smith and 16 other citizens of Caro, Tuscola county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Whiteley presented

Petition No. 773.

Petition of W. A. Bates and 23 other citizens of Grayling, Crawford county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 31 (file No. 25), known as the agents' license and qualification bill.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Insurance.

Mr. Schmidt presented
Petition No. 774.

Protest of Milton Burk and 11 other citizens of Osceola county, against any change in the rate of passenger fares charged by the railroads of the State.

The protest was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Schmidt presented
Petition No. 775.

Resolutions adopted by Sherman Grange No. 570, of Tustin, Osceola county, protesting against any change in the rate of passenger fares charged by the railroads of the State.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Vine presented
Petition No. 776.

Resolutions adopted by Cadmus Grange No. 703, of Cadmus, Lenawee county, favoring an increased mill tax for the Michigan Agricultural College.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on Agricultural College.

Mr. Vine presented
Petition No. 777.

Petition of A. M. Warner and 12 other citizens of Adrian, Lenawee county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Oakley presented
Petition No. 778.

Petition of A. C. Hartley and 60 other citizens of Detroit, Wayne county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 60, relative to promoting the safety of travelers and employes upon railroads by limiting the length of trains.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Place presented
Petition No. 779.

Petition of J. A. Wiggers and 30 other citizens of Three Rivers, St. Joseph county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 64, relative to a retirement fund for teachers.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Wells presented
Petition No. 780.

Petition of J. P. Raurke and 24 other citizens of Dowagiac, Cass county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Keen presented

Petition No. 781.

Petition of Alfred Johnson and 355 other students of the public schools of Mount Pleasant, Isabella county, requesting the passage of House bill 48, relative to prohibiting the manufacture, sale, keeping for sale or giving away cigarettes.

The petition was referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Biggerstaff presented

Petition No. 782.

Petition of John Burns and 431 other citizens of Kalamazoo county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Sours presented

Petition No. 783.

Resolutions adopted by Grand Traverse Grange, Grand Traverse county, protesting against any increase in the rate of passenger fares charged by the railroads of the State; and favoring the passage of House bill No. 86, relative to establishing a department of foods and markets.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Sours presented

Petition No. 784.

Protest of R. W. Lyon and 2 other traveling salesmen of Traverse City, Grand Traverse county, against any increase in the rate of passenger fares charged by the railroads of the State.

The protest was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Clark presented

Petition No. 785.

Protest of Arthur J. Miller and 42 other citizens of Ingham county, against the passage of House bill No. 55, relative to providing for the registration, identification and regulation of motor vehicles.

The protest was referred to the Committee on Roads and Bridges.

Mr. Clark presented

Petition No. 786.

Protest of W. S. Reeves and 18 other citizens of Wheatfield, Ingham county, against all bills that provide for exemption of property from being assessed by the local supervisor.

The protest was referred to the Committee on General Taxation.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on General Taxation, by Mr. Petermann, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 255, entitled

A bill to amend section 25 of Act No. 206 of the Public Acts of 1893, entitled "An act to provide for the assessment of property and the levy

and collection of taxes thereon; and for the collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied; making such taxes a lien on the lands taxed; establishing and continuing such lien; providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes; and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the State and not redeemed or purchased; and to repeal Act No. 200 of the Public Acts of 1891, and all other acts and parts of acts in anywise contravening any of the provisions of this act," being section 3848 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on General Taxation, by Mr. Petermann, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 219, entitled

A bill to amend section 141 of Act 206 of the Public Acts of 1893, entitled "An act to provide for the assessment of property and the levy and collection of taxes thereon, and for the collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied; making such taxes a lien on the lands taxed; establishing and continuing such lien; providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes, and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the State and not redeemed or purchased; and to repeal Act No. 200 of the Public Acts of 1891, and all other acts and parts of acts in anywise contravening any of the provisions of this act," being section 3960 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as last amended by Act No. 270 of the Public Acts of 1909.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Railroads, by Mr. Henry, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 186, entitled

A bill to compel common carriers to furnish wholesome water supply, watering troughs and overhead shelter at stock yards, cattle pens, and other enclosures maintained by such common carriers for the use of its patrons and shippers, and to provide a penalty for failure to comply with the terms of this act.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Public Lands and Forestry Interests, by Mr. Whiteley, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 273, entitled

A bill to amend sections 2, 15 and 16 of Act No. 280 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to create a commission to be known as a Public Domain Commission; to provide for the appointment of such a commission and to fix their terms of office; to prescribe their powers and duties; to make an appropriation to carry out the provisions of this act; and

to repeal all acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith," as last amended by Act No. 333 of the Public Acts of 1913.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The Committee on Horticulture, by Mr. Daigneau, Chairman, reported House bill No. 126, entitled

A bill to amend section 3 of Act No. 193 of the Public Acts of 1895, as amended by Act No. 118 of the Public Acts of 1897, same being compiler's section 5112 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by Act No. 162 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to prohibit and prevent adulteration, fraud and deception in the manufacture and sale of articles of food and drink."

With the following amendment thereto, recommending that the amendment be concurred in and that when so amended the bill pass:

1. Amend by striking out of line 52 of section 3 the word "act" and insert in lieu thereof the word "section."

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the amendment to the bill recommended by the committee,

The amendment was adopted.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Labor, by Mr. Oakley, Chairman, reported House bill No. 298, entitled

A bill to amend section 7 of part 6 of Act No. 10 of the Public Acts of 1912, First Extra Session, entitled "An act to promote the welfare of the people of this State, relating to the liability of employers for injuries or death sustained by their employes, providing compensation for the accidental injury to or death of employes and methods for the payment of the same, establishing an Industrial Accident Board, defining its powers, providing for a review of its awards, making an appropriation to carry out the provisions of this act, and restricting the right to compensation or damages in such cases to such as are provided by this act."

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The Committee on Elections, by Mr. Palmer, Chairman, reported House bill No. 189 (file No. 54), entitled

A bill to amend sections 1, 3, 16, 20, 25, 28 and 38 and to repeal sections 18, 21, 42 and all other sections and parts of sections conflicting with the provisions of this act, of Act No. 281 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act relative to the nomination of party candidates for public office and delegates to political conventions; to regulate primary elections and to prescribe penalties for violations of its provisions; and to provide for the printing upon election ballots of the names of candidates nominated under the terms of this act; and to repeal Act No. 4 of the Public Acts of the Extra Session of the year 1907, and all local primary election acts contravening the provisions of this act, except as in

this act otherwise provided," approved June 2, 1909, as amended by Act No. 279 of the Public Acts of 1911, and as further amended by Act No. 118 of the Public Acts of 1913.

Without recommendation.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

Mr. Hoffman moved that the bill be referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on General Order.

The motion prevailed.

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR.

Messages were received from the Governor announcing the approval Wednesday, March 10, of the following named bills:

House bill No. 74 (file No. 16), enrolled No. 3, entitled

A bill to amend Act 266 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to amend Act No. 283 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled 'An act to revise, consolidate and add to the laws relating to the establishment, opening, improvement, maintenance and use of the public highways and private roads, the condemnation of property and gravel therefor; the building, repairing and preservation of bridges, setting and protecting shade trees, drainage, cutting weeds and brush within this State, and providing for the election and defining the powers, duties and compensation of State, county, township and district highway officials,' approved June 2, 1909, by adding thereto a new chapter to be known as chapter 25, providing for the repair and improvement of highways by means of assessment of statute labor, for the election of overseers of highways, prescribing the qualifications and duties thereof, providing for carrying the same into effect, and prescribing the conditions under which the same shall supersede all provisions inconsistent therewith; and enabling townships to adopt or repeal the provisions hereof upon a referendum vote of a majority of the qualified voters voting thereon; providing for assessments for highway purposes, for the performance of labor on highways and the commutation therefor, and to prescribe penalties, forfeitures and general duties of overseers," approved June 8, 1913, by amending sections 20, 22, 30 and 39 of said chapter 25, being said sections of said Act No. 266.

House bill No. 43 (file No. 11), enrolled No. 4, entitled

A bill to amend section 17 of Act No. 285 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to provide for the creation of a department of labor, to prescribe its powers and duties, to regulate the employment of labor; to make an appropriation for the maintenance of such department, and to prescribe penalties for the violation of this act," approved June 2, 1909.

House bill No. 66 (file No. 15), enrolled No. 5, entitled

A bill to amend section 84 of Act No. 206 of the Public Acts of 1893, being "An act to provide for the assessment of property and the levy and collection of taxes thereon, and for the collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied; making such taxes a lien on the lands taxed; establishing and continuing such lien; providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes; and for the inspection and disposition of land bid off to the State and not redeemed or purchased; and to repeal Act 200 of the Public Acts of 1891 and all other acts

and parts of acts in anywise contravening any of the provisions of this act," being section 3907 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by Act 262 of the Public Acts of 1899.

House bill No. 64 (file No. 14), enrolled No. 6, entitled

A bill to amend section 35 of Act 206 of the Public Acts of 1893, being "An act to provide for assessment of property and levy and collection of taxes thereon; and for collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied; making such taxes a lien on the lands taxed; establishing and continuing such lien, providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes, and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the State and not redeemed or purchased; and to repeal Act No. 200 of the Public Acts of 1891 and all other acts and parts of acts in anywise contravening any of the provisions of this act," being section 3858 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

House bill No. 65 (file No. 5), enrolled No. 7, entitled

A bill to amend the title, and to add a new section to stand as section 2, of Act No. 311, of the Public Acts of 1905, entitled "An act relative to the cost of bonds to be furnished by State officers," as last amended by Act No. 82 of the Public Acts of 1913.

House bill No. 56 (file No. 23), enrolled No. 8, entitled

A bill to amend section 5 of Act No. 147 of the Public Acts of 1891, entitled "An act to provide for the election of a county commissioner of schools, for the appointment of school examiners, and to define the duties and fix the compensation for the same, and to repeal all existing acts or parts of acts conflicting with the provisions of this act," being compiler's section 4812 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as last amended by Act No. 231 of the Public Acts of 1913.

House bill No. 57 (file No. 26), enrolled No. 9, entitled

A bill to amend section 4 of Act No. 65 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to provide for the payment of tuition in and transportation to another district, of children who have completed the eighth grade in any school district; and to repeal Act No. 190 of the Public Acts of 1903, and all other acts and parts of acts in anywise contravening the provisions of this act," as amended by Act No. 14 of the Public Acts of 1911.

The following message from the Governor was received and read:

State of Michigan, Executive Office,
March 9, 1915.

The Hon. Speaker of the House of Representatives, State Capitol, Lansing:

Sir:—Pursuant to section 4 of Act No. 290 of the Public Acts of 1913, I herewith transmit to the House of Representatives the report of the Michigan State Commission of Inquiry into wages and the conditions of labor for women and the advisability of establishing a minimum wage law.

Part II of this report gives a tentative bill for the creation of a Michigan minimum wage commission.

I wish to state at this time that the members of the Commission appointed under the provisions in the above act have given their personal

time liberally, without compensation, to a careful and thorough investigation along the lines outlined in their report, and the same merits your careful consideration.

Yours very truly,
WOODBRIDGE N. FERRIS,
Governor.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Vine introduced

House bill No. 322, entitled

A bill to provide for the transfer to the enlarging hospital fund of a certain unexpended appropriation for the Industrial Home for Girls.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Industrial Home for Girls.

Mr. Flowers introduced

House bill No. 323, entitled

A bill to amend section 7 of chapter 1 of Act No. 283 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to revise, consolidate and add to the laws relating to the establishment, opening, improvement, maintenance and use of the public highways and private roads, the condemnation of property and gravel therefor; the building, repairing and preservation of bridges; setting and protecting shade trees, drainage, cutting weeds and brush within this State, and providing for the election and defining the powers, duties and compensation of State, county, township and district highway officials."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Roads and Bridges.

Mr. DeBoer introduced

House bill No. 324, entitled

A bill to amend section 10 of Act No. 285 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to provide for the creation of a Department of Labor; to prescribe its powers and duties; to regulate the employment of labor; to make an appropriation for the maintenance of such department, and to prescribe penalties for the violation of this act," as amended by Act 220 of the Public Acts of 1911.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Labor.

Mr. Ross introduced

House bill No. 325, entitled

A bill to provide for the appointment of a dairy and food commissioner, by the State Board of Agriculture, to prescribe the powers and duties and fix the salary of such dairy and food commissioner, his deputy, clerks, assistants and inspectors, providing an appropriation therefor and a tax to meet the same, and to repeal sections 1, 2 and 3 of Act No. 211 of the Public Acts of 1893, as amended, and all other acts and parts of acts contravening the provisions of this act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. James D. Jerome introduced

House bill No. 326, entitled

A bill to make an appropriation for the purchase of two bronze copies of the original marble portrait statute of George Washington, to be placed in the State Capitol and the University of Michigan.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Capitol and Public Buildings.

Mr. McMillan (by request of Representative Samuel J. Smith), introduced

House bill No. 327, entitled

A bill to provide for the establishment and maintenance of a State House of Correction on a site to be procured in the townships of Nunda, and Corwith in the counties of Cheboygan and Otsego respectively, to provide for the confinement of persons therein, for the government, control and discipline thereof, to make an appropriation therefor, to provide a tax to meet the same, to repeal Act No. 356 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to provide for the establishment and maintenance in this State of a State house of correction at or near the city of Bay City in the county of Bay, for the confinement of convicted persons therein, for the government and discipline thereof; to make appropriations therefor and to provide taxes to meet the same.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Martin (by request) introduced

House bill No. 328, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1 and 9 of chapter 138 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, entitled "An act to provide for the taxation and regulation of the business of manufacturing, selling, keeping for sale, furnishing, giving or delivering spirituous and intoxicating liquors, and malt, brewed, or fermented liquors and vinous liquors in this State, and to repeal all acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act," as amended, being compiler's sections 5379 and 5378 of the Compiled Laws of 1897."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Pray entered the House and took his seat.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 55 (file No. 18), entitled

A bill to provide for the registration, identification and regulation of motor vehicles operated upon the public highways of this State, and of the operators of such vehicles; and to provide for levying specific taxes upon such vehicles so operated and registering certain operators thereof; and to provide for the disposition of such funds; and to provide for other means of taxation of motor vehicles so operated; and to repeal all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith or contrary thereto.

Was read a third time and, the question being on its passage,

Mr. Ashley moved to amend the bill

By inserting in line 9 of section 34, after the word "therefor," the words "Provided, That twenty-five per cent of the amount collected from the registered motor vehicles in each county shall be returned to the treasurer of each county, to be used to maintain the highways by the local authorities."

Mr. Ashley demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was seconded.

The motion prevailed and the amendment was adopted, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor by yeas and nays as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Green	Mr. Nelson	Mr. Smith, F. A.
Ashley	Griggs	Oakley	Smith, Newel
Averill	Henry	O'Brien	Snow
Biggerstaff	Hinkley	Olmsted	Sours
Bosch	Hoffman	Ormsbee	Stevenson
Chapin	Hopkins	Palmer	Sutton
Clark	Hulse	Penney	Symonds
Cowan	Jerome, J. D.	Person	Tufts
Croll	Jones	Petermann	Van Antwerp
Culver	Keen	Place	Vine
Daigneau	Kemmerling	Quintel	Ward
Daprato	Koehler	Read, Thos.	Watkins
De Boer	Kooyers	Reed, C. J.	Weissert
Edwards	Lamphere	Rice	Wells
Evens	Leland	Robertson	Whiteley
Ewing	Lewis	Rogers	Wieland
Flowers	McMillan	Root	Wiley
Follett	Martin	Ross	Wolcott
Ford, R. L.	Martz	Schmidt	Wood
Francis	Matthews	Sherman	Woodruff
Gayde	Miller	Shields	Wright
Gettel	Moore	Sly	Speaker

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Mr. Anderson

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Mr. Koehler moved to amend the bill

By striking out all of section 36 and inserting in lieu thereof the following, to stand as section 36: "At the general election to be held in November, 1916, this act shall be submitted to the electors of the State, in the same manner and form as constitutional amendments are submitted, and the returns and canvass of the vote upon said question shall be determined as is the vote upon constitutional amendments. If a majority of the electors voting upon such question shall decide in favor of this act, then it shall be in full force and effect and not otherwise."

Mr. Koehler demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was not seconded.

The motion did not prevail and the amendment was not adopted, a majority of all the members-elect not voting therefor.

Mr. Chapin moved to amend the bill

By striking out of line 5 of section 19 the word "to" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "shall as soon as possible with safety."

The motion did not prevail.

Mr. Culver moved to amend the bill

By striking out of line 4 of section 1 the words "traction engines."

Mr. Culver demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was seconded.

The motion did not prevail and the amendment was not adopted, a majority of all the members-elect not voting therefor by yeas and nays as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Ashley	Mr. Edwards	Mr. Kooyers	Mr. Person
Averill	Empson	Lamphere	Petermann
Biggerstaff	Gayde	Martz	Shields
Bosch	Jerome, J. D.	Oakley	Sly
Culver	Jones	O'Brien	Stevenson
Daigneau	Keen	Palmer	Watkins
De Boer	Koehler	Penney	Woodruff

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Mr. Amon	Mr. Hinkley	Mr. Place	Mr. Sours
Anderson	Hoffman	Pray	Sutton
Chapin	Hopkins	Quintel	Symonds
Cowan	Hulse	Read, Thos.	Tufts
Croll	Kemmerling	Reed, C. J.	Van Antwerp
Daprato	Leland	Rice	Vine
Evens	Lewis	Robertson	Weissert
Ewing	McMillan	Rogers	Wells
Flowers	Martin	Root	Whiteley
Follett	Matthews	Ross	Wieland
Ford, R. L.	Miller	Schmidt	Wiley
Gettel	Moore	Sherman	Wolcott
Green	Nelson	Smith, F. A.	Wood
Griggs	Olmsted	Smith, Newel	Wright
Haviland	Ormsbee	Snow	Speaker
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Mr. Oakley demanded the previous question.

The demand was seconded.

The question being, "Shall the main question be now put?"

The previous question was not ordered by a rising vote—Yeas, 40; nays, 44.

Mr. Gettel moved to amend the bill

By inserting in line 9 of section 34 after the words "local authorities," the following: "Provided further, That in counties not operating under the county road system, the board of supervisors shall apportion such tax received to the several townships and cities according to the assessed valuation thereof, to be used by such townships and cities for the construction and maintenance of the highways."

The motion prevailed and the amendment was adopted, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor.

Mr. Root moved to amend the bill

By inserting in line 4 of section 1 after the word "business" the words "and all automobiles and motorcycles used in the delivery of the United States mails by the free rural delivery men."

The motion did not prevail and the amendment was not adopted, a majority of all the members-elect not voting therefor.

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Hinkley	Mr. Place	Mr. Sours
Anderson	Hoffman	Pray	Sutton
Chapin	Hopkins	Quintel	Symonds
Cowan	Hulse	Read, Thos.	Tufts
Croll	Kemmerling	Reed, C. J.	Van Antwerp
Daprato	Leland	Rice	Ward
Evens	Lewis	Robertson	Weissert
Ewing	McMillan	Rogers	Whiteley
Flowers	Martin	Ross	Wieland
Follett	Matthews	Schmidt	Wiley
Ford, R. L.	Miller	Sherman	Wolcott
Gettel	Nelson	Smith, F. A.	Wood
Green	Olmsted	Smith, Newel	Wright
Griggs	Ormsbee	Snow	Speaker
Haviland	Person		

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NAYS.

Mr. Ashley	Mr. Empson	Mr. Lamphere	Mr. Root
Averill	Francis	Martz	Shields
Biggerstaff	Gayde	Moore	Sly
Bosch	Henry	Oakley	Stevenson
Clark	Jerome, J. D.	O'Brien	Vine
Culver	Jones	Palmer	Watkins
Daigneau	Keen	Penney	Wells
De Boer	Koehler	Petermann	Woodruff
Edwards	Kooyers		

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The question being on agreeing to the title of the bill,

Mr. Newel Smith moved to amend the title so'as to read as follows:

A bill to provide for the registration, identification and regulation of motor vehicles operated upon the public highways of this State and of the operators of such vehicles and to provide for levying specific taxes upon such vehicles so operated and to provide for the disposition of such funds and to exempt from all other taxation such motor vehicles so specially taxed, registered, identified and regulated and to repeal all other acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith or contrary hereto.

The House agreed to the title of the bill as amended.

Mr. Ashley having reserved the right to explain his vote, sent to the desk and had read the following:

I vote "no" on this bill for the following reasons:

It is unjust to the district I represent in this House for the reason that it takes from the city of Detroit the right to place on the assessment rolls 26,568 registered automobiles which use the highways of the city of Detroit, which are built and maintained entirely by the taxpayers of that city. The amount expended last year for this purpose alone being \$2,413,544.22. At least 80 per cent of the automobiles owned in Detroit never leave the confines of that city. We received from

taxes on automobiles last year \$376,784.65, which goes into our general fund to help maintain the highways of the district in condition for the use of motor vehicle traffic. This bill relieves automobiles from contributing but a very small amount to keep the pavements of my district in condition for their particular benefit.

The bill will operate to take off the tax rolls, not only of the city and the county, but of the State as well, the very class of property that should be left on the tax rolls. It is practically impossible to dodge the personal tax on automobiles. Every machine is registered in the office of the Secretary of State and its owner gets an annual request from the assessors for the tax on it. If any kind of property is to be removed from the general tax class it surely should be the kind that is least easy to locate, not the kind that is the most difficult to conceal.

The proposed tax will directly relieve the rich and will add to the tax burdens of the poor.

It is the most expensive automobile that benefits by this bill. Take a \$6,000 limousine for an example. At present this must pay in personal tax something like \$120 a year. Under the Smith plan, the same machine would pay according to its horsepower and its weight. Such an auto would show about 50 horsepower, and the rate of 25 cents here would call for a tax of \$12.50. Its weight would be around 4,000 pounds, and on this there would be collected another \$10.00. Altogether, when the Smith bill is operative, the owner of this \$6,000 machine would pay \$22.50 on it, where he is now paying \$120, so that he would actually save nearly \$100 a year on his taxes.

All high priced machines would benefit in the same way. The cheaper automobiles, those below \$1,000 or somewhere in the neighborhood of that amount, would be left nearly where they are, but the rich man would be favored. It is not much wonder that Representative Flowers said yesterday that automobile owners are generally favorable to the bill. Indeed, it would be surprising if automobile owners, especially wealthy men who have a garage full of costly machines, were not heartily in favor of the bill.

But what about the poor man? By every dollar that is taken from the general assessment rolls he is made poorer, because the total sum that is raised for the government of the city, county and State stays stationary and his pro rata of it must be higher whenever any contributing taxpayers are relieved.

The owner of a cottage assessed at \$2,000 will pay more taxes on his little home, in order that the owner of luxurious automobiles may pay less taxes. The family that is buying its home on the installment plan will give a few more dollars to support the government, and the rich man will give many dollars less.

Wayne county is not the only sufferer by this bill, gentlemen of the Legislature. What you propose to do is to lighten the tax burden of those who can best afford to pay taxes and to pile on shoulders that are already heavily weighted the load you are thus lifting from shoulders that hardly feel it.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Nelson offered the following concurrent resolution:

House concurrent resolution No. 16.

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That the Hon. Oramel B. Fuller, Auditor General, be and he is hereby respectfully requested to furnish and convey to this Legislature, as expeditiously as is possible such information as will satisfy the following interrogatories, predicated upon the operation of the mineral reservation tax law, so-called, being Act No. 51 of the Public Acts of 1911:

First: What are the total number of mineral reservation descriptions returned delinquent to date?

Second: What are the total number of mineral reservations paid to date?

Third: What are the total number of mineral reservations assessed to date?

Fourth: What are the total number of assessed mineral reservations rejected for divers reasons?

Fifth: Enumerate by counties the total number of mineral reservation descriptions returned delinquent.

Sixth: What is the assessed value of the mineral reservations returned delinquent to date?

Seventh: What is the total revenue realized by the State on assessed mineral reservations paid to date?

Eighth: Enumerate by counties the cost to the State of advertising pursuant to the statute the mineral reservation descriptions returned delinquent?

Ninth: What is the additional departmental expense to the Auditor General's department occasioned by increased duties caused by operation of this statute?

Tenth: What disposition has been made of the Auditor General's petitions for sale of delinquent mineral reservation taxes, in the several counties?

The Speaker announced that under Rule 50 the resolution would lie over one day.

The Speaker laid before the House the following concurrent resolution, offered yesterday by Mr. Follett and under Rule 50 laid over until today.

House concurrent resolution No. 15.

Whereas, There is in prospect a great loss to the agricultural interests of Michigan by the failure to find a market for the immense potato crop, which must necessarily occasion great waste of food, and that there is a possibility of utilizing such for good by means of drying or otherwise; therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That the Secretary of the Public Domain Commission be requested to take immediate steps to ascertain the commercial possibilities for dried potatoes, or potato flour, in the domestic or foreign market, and the utilization of the pulp driers in the sugar beet factories or in the chicory factories, to the benefit of Michigan industries, and make a report to the Legislature of his findings.

The concurrent resolution was adopted.

Mr. Sly made written request for the printing of House bill No. 59, entitled

A bill making appropriations for the Newberry State Hospital at Newberry, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1916, for buildings and special purposes and to provide a tax to meet the same.

The request was referred to the Committee on Printing.

Mr. Sly made written request for the printing of House bill No. 132, entitled

A bill to make an appropriation for the Mackinac Island State Park and for the Michilimackinac State Park for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

The request was referred to the Committee on Printing.

Mr. Wells made written request for the printing of House bill No. 297, entitled

A bill to provide for the investigation and improvement of marketing conditions and establishing the office of market director and prescribing the duties and powers thereof and making an annual appropriation therefor.

The request was referred to the Committee on Printing.

Mr. Ross made written request for the printing of House bill No. 325, entitled

A bill to provide for the appointment of a Dairy and Food Commissioner by the State Board of Agriculture, to prescribe the powers and duties and fix the salary of such Dairy and Food Commissioner, his deputy, clerks, assistants and inspectors, providing an appropriation therefor and a tax to meet the same, and to repeal sections 1, 2 and 3 of Act No. 211 of the Public Acts of 1893, as amended, and all other acts and parts of acts contravening the provisions of this act.

The request was referred to the Committee on Printing.

Mr. Sheridan Ford entered the House and took his seat.

GENERAL ORDERS OF THE DAY.

Mr. Newel Smith moved that the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole on the general orders.

The motion prevailed.

The Speaker called Mr. Newel Smith to the chair.

After a time spent in the consideration of bills upon the general orders, the committee rose, and, through its chairman, made a report recommending the passage, without amendment, of the following entitled bills:

House bill No. 211 (file No. 64), entitled

A bill to amend section 17 of chapter 2 of Act 164 of the Public Acts of 1881, entitled "An act to revise and consolidate the laws relating to public instruction and primary schools, and to repeal all acts or parts of acts contravening the provisions of this act," being compiler's section 4662 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by Act No. 83 of the Public Acts of 1909, and as last amended by Act 146 of the Public Acts of 1913.

Senate bill No. 139 (file No. 126), entitled

A bill to authorize the common council of the city of Detroit to borrow money for the purpose of acquiring lands and constructing library building or buildings thereon, and the completion and maintenance thereof.

House bill No. 181 (file No. 72), entitled

A bill to prevent the running at large of domestic animals or fowl upon grounds of rural cemeteries, and providing a penalty for the violation of this act.

House bill No. 258 (file No. 76), entitled

A bill to establish the validity and to provide for the administration and control of gifts, grants, devises and bequests, in trust, for religious, educational, charitable or benevolent purposes, and to establish and confirm the jurisdiction of probate courts over such trusts.

House bill No. 208 (file No. 79), entitled

A bill to provide for certain requirements in deeds and instruments, affecting real estate in which there are male grantors to entitle same to record.

House bill No. 235 (file No. 83), entitled

A bill to amend section 7 of Act No. 168 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to provide for a State Superintendent of Weights and Measures, State, county and city sealers and inspection of weights and measures, prescribing their powers and duties, providing penalties for fraud and deception in the use of false weights and measures, and confiscation thereof, and repealing sections 4882 to 4897 inclusive of the Compiled Laws of 1897."

Senate bill No. 174 (file No. 124), entitled

A bill to provide for the transfer of the powers and duties of the State Game, Fish and Forestry Warden to the Public Domain Commission, and to define the powers and duties of the Public Domain Commission in relation thereto, and to repeal all acts of parts of acts which conflict therewith.

Senate bill No. 94 (file No. 67), entitled

A bill to amend sections 4 and 6 of Act No. 334 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to provide for the establishment, survey, improvement and maintenance of State reward trunk line highways, to provide for the payment of double State reward thereon, to define the duties of the State, county, good roads district and township officers in regard thereto, and to appropriate funds to carry out the provisions thereof," approved May 13, 1913.

The bills were placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

The Committee of the Whole reported without amendment
House substitute for

Senate bill No. 109 (file No. 79), entitled

A bill to prescribe minimum wages and vacations for certain persons regularly employed in the Michigan State Prison, the State House of Correction and Branch of the State Prison in the Upper Peninsula, and the Michigan Reformatory.

Pending the placing of the bill on the order of Third Reading of Bills, Mr. Hinkley moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The motion prevailed.

The Committee of the Whole reported

Senate bill No. 48 (file No. 61), entitled

A bill to require plans for all school buildings and for additions to school buildings, the cost of which shall exceed three hundred dollars, to be approved by the Superintendent of Public Instruction and the Secretary of the State Board of Health, and to authorize the condemnation of school houses under certain conditions.

Recommending the adoption of the following amendments thereto, and the passage of the bill when so amended:

1. Amend by striking out of line 6 of section 1 the words "the secretary of the State Board of Health and their" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "his."

2. Amend by striking out of line 10 of section 1 the words "and the secretary of the State Board of Health."

3. Amend by striking out of lines 1 and 2, also out of lines 4 and 5, also out of lines 11 and 12, also out of lines 16 and 17, also out of lines 19 and 20, of section 2; also out of lines 2 and 3, also out of lines 7 and 8, also out of lines 10 and 11, of the proviso added at the end of section 2, the words "and the secretary of the State Board of Health."

4. Amend by striking out of line 5 of section 3 the words "and the secretary of the State Board of Health."

5. Amend by striking out of line 20 of section 2 the words "they are" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "he is."

6. Amend by striking out of line 8 in the proviso at the end of section 2 the word "defendants" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "defendant."

7. Amend by striking out of line 3 of section 3 the word "levied" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "expended."

The question being on the adoption of the proposed amendments made by the committee,

The amendments were adopted and the bill was placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

The Committee of the Whole reported

House bill No. 192 (file No. 85), entitled

A bill to amend sections 4, 14, 16, 18, 19 and 22 of an act entitled "An act to regulate the practice of pharmacy in the State of Michigan," same being Act No. 134 of the Public Acts of 1885, approved June 2,

1885, as amended by Act No. 332 of the Public Acts of 1905, approved June 20, 1905.

Recommending the adoption of the following amendment thereto and the passage of the bill when so amended:

1. Amend by inserting in line 33 of section 18 after the word "medicines" the words "containing less than 5 per cent of alcohol."

The question being on the adoption of the proposed amendment made by the committee,

The amendment was adopted and the bill was placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

As a matter of personal privilege,

Mr. Sheridan Ford sent to the Clerk's desk and had read the following:

I desire to state, and have entered upon the record, the fact that I was unavoidably absent from the session at the time the vote was taken on the passage of House bill No. 55 (file No. 18), relative to registering and taxing automobiles, and that had I been present I would have voted "no" on the passage of the bill.

Mr. Pray asked and obtained a leave of absence from tomorrow's session.

Mr. Martz asked and obtained a leave of absence for the balance of the week.

Mr. Hinkley moved that Messrs. James D. Jerome, Rice, Croll and Wolcott be excused for the balance of the week.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Tufts moved that the House adjourn.

The motion prevailed, the time being 4:14 o'clock p. m.

The Speaker declared the House adjourned until tomorrow at 2:00 o'clock p. m.

CHARLES S. PIERCE,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.

FORTY-THIRD DAY.

Lansing, Thursday, March 11.

2:00 o'clock p. m.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

Religious exercises were conducted by Rev. Horace Cady Wilson, of the First Presbyterian Church, of Lansing.

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk, who announced that a quorum was present.

Messrs. Croll, Foote, James D. Jerome, Martz, Nank, Pray, Rice and Wolcott were absent with leave.

Mr. Warner was absent without leave.

Mr. Haviland moved that all absentees without leave be excused from today's session.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Wright asked and obtained a leave of absence after 3:00 o'clock today, and from tomorrow's session.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

Mr. Hulse presented

Petition No. 787.

Petition of E. Geo. Tracey and 103 other students of the Y. M. C. A. high school of Kalamazoo, Kalamazoo county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 48, relative to prohibiting the manufacture, sale, keeping for sale or giving away cigarettes.

The petition was referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Hulse presented

Petition No. 788.

Petition of Edward Hollenbeck and 113 other students of the high schools of Saginaw, Saginaw county, requesting the passage of House

bill No. 48, relative to prohibiting the manufacture, sale, keeping for sale or giving away cigarettes.

The petition was referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Hulse presented

Petition No. 789.

Petition of Walter Moore and 63 other students of the high schools of Bay City, Bay county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 48, relative to prohibiting the manufacture, sale, keeping for sale or giving away cigarettes.

The petition was referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Hulse presented

Petition No. 790.

Petition endorsed by the Burr Oak Methodist Episcopal Sunday School, of Burr Oak, St. Joseph county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 48, relative to prohibiting the manufacture, sale, keeping for sale or giving away cigarettes.

The petition was referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Hulse presented

Petition No. 791.

Petition of A. W. Door and 28 other citizens of Grass Lake, Jackson county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 48, relative to prohibiting the manufacture, sale, keeping for sale or giving away cigarettes.

The petition was referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Hulse presented

Petition No. 792.

Resolutions endorsed by Sidney Sherman and 20 other members of Bingham Grange No. 702 of Clinton county requesting the passage of House bill No. 48, relative to prohibiting the manufacture, sale, keeping for sale or giving away cigarettes.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Hulse presented

Petition No. 793.

Resolutions adopted by Bristol Grange No. 1274, of Lake county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 48, relative to prohibiting the manufacture, sale, keeping for sale or giving away cigarettes.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Hulse presented

Petition No. 794.

Resolutions adopted by Ottawa County Grange, Teachers' and Patrons' Association, of Ottawa county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 48, relative to prohibiting the manufacture, sale, keeping for sale or giving away cigarettes.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Hulse presented

Petition No. 795.

Resolutions adopted by the Branch County Woman's Christian Tem-

perance Union, of Branch county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 48, relative to prohibiting the manufacture, sale, keeping for sale or giving away cigarettes.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Hulse presented

Petition No. 796.

Petition of the Mount Pleasant Woman's Club, of Mount Pleasant, Isabella county, endorsing House bill No. 48, relative to prohibiting the manufacture, sale, keeping for sale or giving away cigarettes.

The petition was referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Hulse presented

Petition No. 797.

Resolutions adopted by the Grand Rapids Woman's Club of Grand Rapids, Kent county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 48, relative to prohibiting the manufacture, sale, keeping for sale or giving away cigarettes.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Hulse presented

Petition No. 798.

Resolutions adopted by the Burr Oak W. C. T. U. of Burr Oak, St. Joseph county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 48, relative to prohibiting the manufacture, sale, keeping for sale or giving away cigarettes.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Hulse presented

Petition No. 799.

Resolutions adopted by the Woman's Club of Sandusky, Sanilac county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 48, relative to prohibiting the manufacture, sale, keeping for sale or giving away cigarettes.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Hulse presented

Petition No. 800.

Resolutions adopted by the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Wayland, Allegan county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 48, relative to prohibiting the manufacture, sale, keeping for sale or giving away cigarettes.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Hulse presented

Petition No. 801.

Resolutions adopted by the W. C. T. U. of Howard City, Montcalm county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 48, relative to prohibiting the manufacture, sale, keeping for sale or giving away cigarettes.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Hulse presented
Petition No. 802.

Resolutions adopted by the Ladies' Aid Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church of Wayland, Allegan county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 48, relative to prohibiting the manufacture, sale, keeping for sale or giving away cigarettes.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Hulse presented
Petition No. 803.

Resolutions of the Athens W. C. T. U. of Athens, Calhoun county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 48, relative to prohibiting the manufacture, sale, keeping for sale or giving away cigarettes.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Hulse presented
Petition No. 804.

Petition endorsed by the Calumet Woman's Club of Calumet, Houghton county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 48, relative to prohibiting the manufacture, sale, keeping for sale or giving away cigarettes.

The petition was referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Hulse presented
Petition No. 805.

Petition of 300 citizens of Bloomingdale, VanBuren county, endorsing the Anti-Cigarette bill, as per telegram signed by Ellis Simon, chairman.

The petition was referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Sherman presented
Petition No. 806.

Petition of John Hogan and 11 other citizens of Reese, Tuscola county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Martin presented
Petition No. 807.

Protest of H. G. Parker and 16 other citizens of Owosso, against the passage of House bill No. 139, entitled "A bill to co-ordinate the health service of the State."

The petition was referred to the Committee on Public Health.

Mr. Martin presented
Petition No. 808.

Petition of E. F. Smith and 41 other citizens of Laingsburg, Shiawassee county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Martin presented

Petition No. 809.

Petition of G. Morrison and 13 other citizens of Shiawassee county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Martz presented

Petition No. 810.

Petition of Benjamin England and 134 other citizens of Detroit, Wayne county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Wright presented

Petition No. 811.

Petition of A. D. Forest and 66 other citizens of Washtenaw county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Person presented

Petition No. 812.

Petition of J. J. Baughman and 8 other citizens of Lansing, Ingham county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Wood presented

Petition No. 813.

Petition of F. M. Davis and 11 other citizens of Jackson, Jackson county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Quintel presented

Petition No. 814.

Petition of John Boman and 10 other citizens of Bentley, Bay county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Place presented

Petition No. 815.

Petition of K. A. Schwartz and 20 other members of the congregation of the First Baptist Church, of Colon, St. Joseph county, requesting the passage of a bill, relative to the reading of the Holy Bible in the public schools of this State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Wolcott presented

Petition No. 816.

Petition of M. S. Gibbs and 68 other taxpayers of Marshall, Calhoun

county, favoring a reasonable appropriation for the Michigan Fish Commission.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Fish and Fisheries.

Mr. Wells presented

Petition No. 817.

Petition of M. M. Miller and 7 other citizens of Pokagon, Cass county, favoring an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Newel Smith presented

Petition No. 818.

Petition of C. D. Davison and 18 other teachers of the St. Louis public schools, of St. Louis, Gratiot county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 64, relative to a retirement fund for teachers.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Hinkley presented

Petition No. 819.

Petition of L. A. Galster and 24 other citizens of Petoskey, Emmet county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 31, known as the agents' license and qualification bill.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Insurance.

Mr. Pray presented

Petition No. 820.

Protest of V. M. Kent and 39 other citizens of Eaton county, against the passage of Senate bill No. 64, relative to a retirement fund for teachers.

The protest was referred to the Committee on Education.

The Speaker presented

Petition No. 821.

Petition of Wm. H. Rossman and 19 other citizens of Metamora, Lapeer county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Daigneau presented

Petition No. 822.

Petition of N. W. Dohn and 133 other citizens of Berrien county, in favor of House bill No. 79, relative to prohibiting the hunting of rabbits with ferrets and guinea pigs.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Horticulture.

Mr. Daigneau presented

Petition No. 823.

Petition of R. H. Sherwood and 70 other citizens of Berrien county, in favor of House bill No. 126, relative to prohibiting and preventing adulteration, fraud and deception in the manufacture and sale of articles of food and drink.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Horticulture.

Mr. Daigneau presented

Petition No. 824.

Petition of C. Spittles and 18 other citizens of Three Oaks, Berrien county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Symonds presented

Petition No. 825.

Resolutions adopted by Guy Mantie and 24 other citizens of the State, protesting against any increase in the passenger rates charged by the railroads of the State, unless actually needed.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Symonds presented

Petition No. 826.

Resolutions endorsed by James E. Good and 11 other members of Faithorn Grange, of Faithorn, Menominee county, protesting against any increase in the rate of passenger fares charged by the railroads of the State, unless actually needed; and against discrimination in rates between the Upper and Lower Peninsula.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Samuel J. Smith presented

Petition No. 827.

Petition of Geo. Gregory and 11 other citizens of Cheboygan county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Samuel J. Smith presented

Petition No. 828.

Protest of Julius Bohn and 54 other citizens of Cheboygan county, against the passage of House bill No. 139, entitled "A bill to co-ordinate the health service of the State."

The protest was referred to the Committee on Public Health.

Mr. Leland presented

Petition No. 829.

Petition of James H. Sisson and 74 other citizens of Allegan county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 126, relative to prohibiting and preventing adulteration, fraud and deception in the manufacture and sale of articles of food and drink.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Horticulture.

Mr. Leland presented

Petition No. 830.

Petition of E. E. Paine and 32 other citizens of Allegan county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 79, relative to prohibiting the hunting of rabbits with ferrets and guinea pigs.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Horticulture.

Mr. Wieland presented
Petition No. 831.

Petition of A. Reed and 27 other citizens of Oakland county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.
The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Weissert presented
Petition No. 832.

Petition of W. F. Hardke and 23 other citizens of Barry county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Petermann presented
Petition No. 833.

Resolutions adopted by the village council of the village of Red Jacket, Houghton county, protesting against the passage of House bill No. 117, relative to providing for the taxation, licensing and regulation of the business of manufacturing, selling, etc., of spirituous and intoxicating liquors.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Evens presented
Petition No. 834.

Petition of A. Maur and 24 other citizens of Union City, Branch county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Place presented
Petition No. 835.

Petition of Monroe Anable and 137 other citizens of Three Rivers, St. Joseph county, requesting the passage of a bill, relative to the reading of the Holy Bible in the public schools of this State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Moore presented
Petition No. 836.

Petition endorsed by the Detroit Federation of Women's Clubs, requesting the passage of a bill limiting the number of saloons to one for every 500, and providing that no saloon shall be located within 400 feet of a church or school.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Hopkins presented
Petition No. 837.

Protest of Henry W. Johnson and 68 other citizens of Manistee county against the passage of the Odell bill, providing for the transfer of the powers and duties of the State Game, Fish and Forestry Warden to the Public Domain Commission.

The protest was referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY CLERK OF PRINTING OF BILLS

The Clerk announced that the following named bills had been printed and placed upon the files of the members Thursday, March 11:

Senate bill No. 225 (file No. 172), entitled

A bill to amend the title and sections 2, 4, 11 and 29 of Act No. 205 of the Public Acts of 1887, entitled "An act to revise the laws authorizing the business of banking, and to establish a Banking Department for the supervision of such business," being compiler's section 6091, 6093, 6100 and 6118 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by Act No. 193 of the Public Acts of 1909, and Act No. 11 of the Public Acts of 1913.

Senate bill No. 106 (file No. 173), entitled

A bill to provide for the appointment of a cashier, bookkeeper, assistant bookkeeper and a chief clerk in the office of the State Treasurer, and to fix the salaries thereof.

Senate bill No. 189 (file No. 174), entitled

A bill to provide for the registration of architects and regulating the practice of architecture as a profession.

Senate bill No. 226 (file No. 175), entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from the township of Clay in Saint Clair county in the State of Michigan, to organize the township of Harsen's Island and detach the following land from Saint Clair county and make it a part of Macomb county, and to provide for the appointment of boards of registration, and inspectors of election in and for said township of Harsen's Island.

The Clerk announced the enrollment printing and the presentation to the Governor, on March 11, for his approval, of the following named bill:

House bill No. 106 (file No. 30), enrolled No. 10, entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of Act 243 of the Public Acts of 1903, as amended by Act No. 119 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act in relation to the manufacture and sale of renovated butter."

The Clerk announced the enrollment printing and filing with the Secretary of State, on March 11, of the following named joint resolution:

House joint resolution No. 2 (file No. 34), enrolled No. 11, entitled

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to article VIII of the Constitution of this State, by adding a new section thereto, to stand as section 15-a of said article, authorizing drainage districts to issue bonds for drainage purposes.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Labor, by Mr. Oakley, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 309, entitled

A bill to provide for the licensing of adjusters of companies carrying workmen's compensation insurance and the suspension and revocation of such licenses.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Labor, by Mr. Oakley, Chairman, reported
House bill No. 151, entitled

A bill to amend Act No. 10, Public Acts of 1912, entitled "An act to promote the welfare of the people of this State relating to the liability of employers for injuries or death sustained by their employes; providing compensation for the accidental injury to or death of employes and methods for the payment of the same; establishing an Industrial Accident Board; defining its powers, providing for a review of its awards; making an appropriation to carry out the provisions of this act, and restricting the right to compensation or damages in such cases to such as are provided by this act," approved March 20, 1912, by adding to part 1 thereof a new section to be known as section 9 relative to contractors, and adding to part 2 thereof four new sections to be known as sections 23, 24, 25 and 26, providing compensation for occupational diseases and disfigurement, and relative to costs and previous partial disability; and by amending section 7 of part 1, sections 4, 6 and 11 of part 2, section 1 of part 4 and section 3 of part 6.

With a substitute therefor, entitled

A bill to amend Act No. 10, Public Acts of 1912, entitled "An act to promote the welfare of the people of this State relating to the liability of employers for injuries or death sustained by their employes; providing compensation for the accidental injury to or death of employes and methods for the payment of the same; establishing an Industrial Accident Board; defining its powers, providing for a review of its awards; making an appropriation to carry out the provisions of this act, and restricting the right to compensation or damages in such cases to such as are provided by this act," approved March 20, 1912, by adding to part 1 thereof a new section to be known as section 9 relative to contractors and adding to part 2 thereof four new sections to be known as sections 23, 24, 25 and 26, providing compensation for occupational diseases and disfigurement, and relative to costs and previous partial disability and by amending section 7 of part 1, sections 4, 6, 9, 10 and 11 of part 2, section 1 of part 4, and section 3 of part 6.

Recommending that the substitute be concurred in and that the bill as substituted pass.

With the further recommendation that the bill be known as the Oakley-Averill-Ashley bill.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the proposed substitute recommended by the committee,

The substitute was adopted.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The question being on the further recommendation made by the committee, that the bill be known as the Oakley-Averill-Ashley bill,

The recommendation was concurred in.

The Committee on Judiciary, by Mr. Flowers, Chairman, reported House bill No. 197, entitled

A bill to amend section 7 of Act 242 of the Public Acts of 1863, entitled "An act for the incorporation of hospitals or asylums in cases where valuable grants or emoluments have been made to trustees for such purposes," approved March 20, 1863, and being section 8294 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

With a substitute therefor, having the same title.

Recommending that the substitute be concurred in and that the bill as substituted pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the proposed substitute recommended by the committee,

The substitute was adopted.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Judiciary, by Mr. Flowers, Chairman, reported House bill No. 202, entitled

A bill to provide for the employment of interpreters in criminal cases, and to fix the compensation therefor.

With a substitute therefor, entitled

A bill to provide for the employment of interpreters in criminal cases and to regulate the compensation thereof.

Recommending that the substitute be concurred in and that the bill as substituted pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the proposed substitute recommended by the committee,

The substitute was adopted.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Judiciary, by Mr. Flowers, Chairman, reported House bill No. 231 (file No. 78), entitled

A bill to repeal Act No. 186 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to provide and establish a court of domestic relations in each county of this State, which has a population of upwards of two hundred fifty thousand, to define its jurisdiction and for the purpose of this act to provide for additional circuit judges in such counties," approved May 6, 1913.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Judiciary, by Mr. Flowers, Chairman, reported House bill No. 30 (file No. 17), entitled

A bill to define what shall constitute partnerships; the relation of partners to persons dealing with the partnerships; the relation of partners to one another; to provide for the dissolution and winding up of partnerships and to make uniform the law relating thereto.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Judiciary, by Mr. Flowers, Chairman, reported
House bill No. 317, entitled

A bill to bar debts and obligations against unprobated estates of deceased persons, after the lapse of a certain length of time in certain cases, and to repeal all acts or parts of acts in conflict with the provisions of this act.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Liquor Traffic, by Mr. Tufts, Chairman, reported
House bill No. 206, entitled

A bill to amend section 3 of Act No. 381 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to regulate the sale, consignment, shipment, transportation and delivery to and the purchase, acceptance, receipt and possession by any person, firm or corporation of any vinous, malt, brewed, fermented, spirituous or intoxicating liquor when such person, firm or corporation resides in territory where the manufacture and sale of such liquors for beverage purposes is prohibited; to prohibit the same in certain cases; to prescribe means for the enforcement of the provisions of this act; and to repeal all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act."

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Liquor Traffic, by Mr. Tufts, Chairman, reported
House bill No. 156, entitled

A bill to amend section 15 of Act No. 207 of the Public Acts of 1889, entitled "An act to prohibit the manufacture, sale, keeping for sale, giving away or furnishing of vinous, malt, brewed, fermented, spirituous or intoxicating liquors, or any mixed liquors or beverages, any part of which is intoxicating, and to prohibit the keeping of any saloon or other place for the manufacture, sale, storing for sale, giving away or furnishing of such liquors or beverages, and to suspend the general laws of this State relative to the taxation and regulation of the manufacture and sale of such liquors in the several counties of this State under certain circumstances; to authorize the qualified electors of the several counties in this State to express their will in regard to such prohibition by an election, and to authorize and empower the board of supervisors of the several counties, after such election, if they shall determine the result to be in favor of such prohibition, to prohibit the manufacture, sale, keeping for sale, giving away or furnishing of the same within their respective counties; and to provide for penalties and rights of action in case of its violation," the same being section 5426 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as last amended by Act No. 170 of the Public Acts of 1903.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on City Corporations, by Mr. Averill, Chairman, reported

Senate bill No. 127 (file No. 87), entitled

A bill to amend section 15 of Act No. 388 of the Local Acts of 1889, entitled "An act supplemental to the charter of the city of Detroit, and relating to parks, boulevards and other public grounds in said city, and to repeal Act No. 374 of the Local Acts of 1879, entitled 'An act to provide for the establishment and maintenance of a broad street or boulevard about the limits of the city of Detroit and through portions of the townships of Hamtramck, Greenfield and Springwells, in the county of Wayne,'" approved May 21, 1879, as amended.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Printing, by Mr. VanAntwerp, Chairman, reported Senate bill No. 61 (file No. 113), entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of Act No. 44 of the Public Acts of 1899, approved April 18, 1899, entitled "An act to provide for the publication and distribution of laws and documents, reports of the several officers, boards of officers and public institutions of this State, now or hereafter to be published, and to provide for the replacing of books lost by fire or otherwise, and to provide for the publication and distribution of the official directory and legislative manual of the State of Michigan, and to repeal Act No. 122 of the Session Laws of 1889, approved May 31, 1889, Act No. 20 of the Session Laws of 1889, approved March 19, 1889, and all other laws or parts of laws contravening or inconsistent with this act," as amended by Act No. 240 of the Public Acts of 1911.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Printing, by Mr. VanAntwerp, Chairman, reported The written request of Mr. Koehler for the printing of House bill No. 69, entitled

A bill to apportion anew the representatives in the State Legislature among the several counties and districts of this State.

With the recommendation that the request be granted.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the recommendation of the committee,

The recommendation was concurred in, and the bill ordered printed.

The Committee on Printing, by Mr. VanAntwerp, Chairman, reported
The written request of Mr. Palmer for the printing of
House bill No. 209 entitled

A bill to provide a method whereby all political parties shall select delegates to all of their State conventions, to regulate proceedings for the same, to provide adequate punishment for the violation of the provisions of this act and to repeal any or all acts or parts of acts in any way contravening or interfering with the provisions of this act.

With the recommendation that the request be granted.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the recommendation of the committee,

The recommendation was concurred in, and the bill ordered printed.

The Committee on Printing, by Mr. VanAntwerp, Chairman, reported
The written request of Mr. Warner for the printing of
House bill No. 283, entitled

A bill to provide a method of voting at any general, special or primary election by electors in the actual military service of the United States or of this State, or in the army and navy thereof in time of war, insurrection or rebellion, by members of the Legislature while in attendance at any session of the Legislature, by students while in attendance at any institution of learning, and by commercial travelers absent from their place of residence upon the day of any general, special or primary election; to provide for the time of holding primary elections, caucuses or conventions for the nominations of candidates; to provide the time for printing official ballots and to repeal all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith.

With the recommendation that the request be granted.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the recommendation of the committee,

The recommendation was concurred in and the bill ordered printed.

The Committee on Printing, by Mr. VanAntwerp, Chairman, reported
The written request of Mr. Koehler for the printing of
House bill No. 82, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 and section 9 of Act No. 294 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to provide for the licensing and regulating of the business of transient merchants; to prevent the fraudulent sale of goods by such transient merchants; to provide a lien on the goods of such transient merchants for the license fees prescribed, and to provide penalties for the violation thereof."

With the recommendation that the request be granted.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the recommendation of the committee,

The recommendation was concurred in, and the bill ordered printed.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM STATE OFFICERS.

The following communication from the Commissioner of Insurance was received and read:

State of Michigan,
Department of Insurance,
Lansing, March 10, 1915.

Hon. Charles Smith, Speaker, House of Representatives,
Lansing, Michigan.

Dear Sir:—In accordance with House resolution No. 34, forwarded to me by the Clerk of the House, asking for certain information about this Department, I am herewith responding to the request contained in the resolution:

First: During the last five years, 15 stock and general mutual fire insurance companies, and eight farmers' mutual fire insurance companies, making 23 in all, have ceased doing business in Michigan.

Second: There have been admitted to do business within this State during the last five years, 101 stock and general mutual fire insurance companies, and six farmers' mutual fire insurance companies, making 107 in all. Approximately 35 of those admitted during this period were companies that came in because of the passage of Act No. 129 of the Public Acts of 1911, which act prohibited the writing of unauthorized fire insurance in this State, and caused an unusual number of unauthorized companies to seek authorization under the law.

Third: The number of fire insurance companies that have reinsured their total risks in this State, during the last five years, is 47 stock and general mutuals, and one farmers mutual, making 48.

Fourth: Of the stock and general mutual fire insurance companies that have heretofore been authorized to do business in this State, approximately 300 have now ceased to exist. This, of course, only goes back to 1871, the date of the organization of the Insurance Department, and even these figures cannot be said to be absolutely accurate, because of the fact that a great many companies withdrew from doing business in this State a number of years before their failure or reinsurance, and, of course, we have no record in the Department of companies' transactions after they withdrew from this State, and, therefore, from the jurisdiction of the Department.

In addition to these 300, there were 48 farmers' mutuals that have gone out of existence, making 348 in all.

Fifth: The total amount of net premiums paid to all companies for fire insurance during the years 1909-10-11-12-13 and 14, is indicated in the following table:

<i>Year.</i>	<i>Stock and General Mutual.</i>	<i>Farmers' Mutual.</i>	<i>Total.</i>
1909	\$7,998,783 00	\$973,320 98	\$8,972,103 98
1910	8,203,525 00	1,022,939 36	9,226,464 36
1911	8,649,333 00	1,042,473 03	9,691,806 03
1912	9,236,828 00	1,021,453 79	10,258,281 79
1913	9,245,137 00	*1,599,310 60	10,844,447 60
1914	9,204,710 00	*1,347,996 90	10,552,706 90
Total	\$52,538,316 00	\$7,007,494 66	\$59,545,810 66

*Includes assessments levied.

In the answers to the above questions, by "farmers' mutuals" we mean companies organized under Act No. 82 of the Public Acts of 1873, and Act No. 262 of the Public Acts of 1895, and those organized under several other special acts of our Legislature, such acts having since been repealed.

Respectfully yours,

JOHN T. WINSHIP,
Commissioner of Insurance.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

A message was received from the Senate returning House bill No. 136 (file No. 35), entitled

A bill to amend Act No. 184 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to regulate the business of selling farm products on commission, providing all commission merchants dealing in farm products shall be licensed, to provide against and punish fraud and deception in the sale of farm products on commission, and defining the duties of the State Dairy and Food Commissioner relative thereto," by adding thereto a new section to be known as section 11.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had amended the same as follows:

1. Section 11, lines 5 and 6, after the word "not" strike out the words "less than twenty-five dollars nor."

And further informing the House of Representatives that, as thus amended, the Senate had passed the bill.

The Speaker announced that under Rule 58 the bill would lie over one day.

Mr. Palmer moved that Rule 58 be suspended.

The motion prevailed, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor.

The question being on concurring in the amendments made to the bill by the Senate.

The amendments were concurred in, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Ford, R. L.	Mr. O'Brien	Mr. Smith, S. J.
Anderson	Ford, Sheridan	Olmsted	Snow
Ashley	Francis	Palmer	Sours
Averill	Gayde	Penney	Stevenson
Biggerstaff	Green	Petermann	Sutton
Bosch	Griggs	Place	Symonds
Chapin	Haviland	Quintel	Tufts
Clark	Henry	Read, Thos.	Van Antwerp
Cowan	Hulse	Reed, C. J.	Vine
Culver	Jones ~	Robertson	Watkins
Daigneau	Keen	Rogers	Weissert
Daprato	Koehler	Root	Wells
De Boer	Kooyers	Ross	Whiteley
Edwards	Lamphere	Schmidt	Wiley
Empson	Lewis	Sherman	Wood
Evens	Matthews	Shields	Woodruff
Ewing	Miller	Sly	Wright
Flowers	Moore	Smith, Newel	Speaker
Follett			

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The bill was referred to the Clerk for enrollment printing and presentation to the Governor.

A message was received from the Senate returning
House bill No. 115 (file No. 32), entitled

A bill to repeal Act No. 1 of the Session Laws of 1869, as amended, entitled "An act to designate the time and provide the manner of electing United States senators," being sections 1144, 1145, 1146 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill.

The bill was referred to the Clerk for enrollment printing and presentation to the Governor.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting
Senate bill No. 23 (file No. 154), entitled

A bill to repeal Act No. 181 of the Public Acts of 1897, being compiler's section No. 4791 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, entitled "An act to prescribe and define a course of studies to be taught in the district schools of this State which shall be known as the agricultural college course."

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Education.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting
Senate bill No. 45 (file No. 38), entitled

A bill to provide for the establishment of agricultural courses in the public schools of the state, and to provide for the maintenance and control of the same.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Education.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting
Senate bill No. 67 (file No. 155), entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of Act No. 112 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to authorize the county commissioner of schools in each county to call a meeting of the school officers of the county."

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Education.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Evens introduced

House bill No. 329, entitled

A bill to amend Act No. 206 of the Public Acts of 1893, as amended.

entitled "An act to provide for the assessment of property and the levy and collection of taxes thereon, and for the collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied; making such taxes a lien on the lands taxed, establishing and continuing such lien, providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes, and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the State and not redeemed or purchased; and to repeal Act No. 200 of the Public Acts of 1891, and all other acts and parts of acts in anywise contravening any of the provisions of this act," by adding a new section thereto to be known as section 25a, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the terms of this act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on General Taxation.

Mr. Newel Smith introduced

House bill No. 330, entitled

A bill to amend section 4 of Act No. 108 of the Public Acts of 1913, being "An act to license and regulate the hunting, pursuing and killing of wild animals or wild birds protected by the laws of this State, except deer and fur-bearing animals."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Thomas Read introduced

House bill No. 331, entitled

A bill to repeal Act No. 107 of the Public Acts of 1901, entitled "An act to prohibit the catching, killing or destroying of fish with seines or any species of continuous net or with any form of spear or trap, or in any manner whatsoever except with hook and line in the waters of Silver Lake, or in the channel leading from said Silver Lake to Lake Michigan, in the township of Golden, Oceana county, Michigan," and providing a penalty therefor.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Fish and Fisheries.

Mr. Follett introduced

House bill No. 332, entitled

A bill to amend section 6 of chapter 4 of Act No. 215 of the Public Acts of 1895, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation of cities of the fourth class," same being compiler's section 2985.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Elections.

Mr. McMillan introduced

House bill No. 333, entitled

A bill making appropriations for the State Board of Fish Commissioners for current expenses and for building and special purposes for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Fish and Fisheries.

Mr. Schmidt introduced
House bill No. 334, entitled

A bill to amend sections 6 and 12 of Act 135 of the Public Acts of 1911, entitled "An act to encourage private forestry, the care and management thereof, and to provide for the exemption from taxation of such private forest reserve."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Public Lands and Forestry Interests.

Mr. O'Brien introduced
House bill No. 335, entitled

A bill to establish, protect and enforce by lien, the rights of garage keepers who furnish labor or material for storing, repairing, maintaining, keeping or otherwise supplying automobiles or other motor propelled vehicles.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. DeBoer introduced
House bill No. 336 entitled

A bill to amend section 6 of Act No. 217 of the Public Acts of 1897, entitled "An act to provide for the registration of deaths in Michigan and requiring certificates of death," being compiler's section 4619 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Public Health.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 211 (file No. 64), entitled

A bill to amend section 17 of chapter 2 of Act 164 of the Public Acts of 1881, entitled "An act to revise and consolidate the laws relating to public instruction and primary schools, and to repeal all acts or parts of acts contravening the provisions of this act," being compiler's section 4662 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by Act No. 83 of the Public Acts of 1909, and as last amended by Act 146 of the Public Acts of 1913.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon
Anderson
Averill
Biggerstaff
Bosch
Chapin
Clark
Cowan
Culver
Daigneau
Daprato
Edwards
Eatonson

Mr. Gettel
Green
Griggs
Henry
Hinkley
Hoffman
Hopkins
Hulse
Jerome, W. F.
Jones
Keen
Kemmerling
Kobiers

Mr. Nelson
Oakley
O'Brien
Olmsted
Ormsbee
Palmer
Penney
Person
Petermann
Place
Quintel
Read, Thos.
Reed, C. J.

Mr. Sly
Smith, F. A.
Smith, Newel
Snow
Sours
Stevens
Sutton
Van Antwerp
Vine
Watkins
Weissert
Wells
Whitely

Mr. Evens	Mr. Lamphere	Mr. Rogers	Mr. Wieland
Flowers	Leland	Root	Wiley
Follett	Lewis	Ross	Wood
Ford, R. L.	McMillan	Schmidt	Woodruff
Ford, Sheridan	Martin	Sherman	Wright
Francis	Miller	Shields	Speaker
Gayde	Moore		

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

Mr. Culver moved that the bill be ordered to take immediate effect.

The motion prevailed, two-thirds of all the members-elect voting therefor.

Senate bill No. 48 (file No. 61), entitled

A bill to require plans for all school buildings and for additions to school buildings, the cost of which shall exceed three hundred dollars, to be approved by the Superintendent of Public Instruction, and to authorize the condemnation of school houses under certain conditions.

Was read a third time and, the question being on its passage,

Mr. Green moved to amend the bill

By inserting in line 1 of section 2, after the word "instruction" the words "on the request of five per cent of the taxpayers of any district."

Mr. Green demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was seconded.

The motion did not prevail, and the amendment was not adopted, a majority of all the members-elect not voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Hinkley	Mr. Oakley	Mr. Snow
Bosch	Hoffman	Olmsted	Sours
Chapin	Jerome, Wm. F.	Ormsbee	Stevens
Clark	Leland	Reed, C. J.	Sutton
Cowan	McMillan	Ross	Van Antwerp
Daprato	Martin	Shields	Vine
Gettel	Matthews	Sly	Wells
Green	Miller	Smith, F. A.	Whiteley
Griggs	Nelson	Smith, S. J.	Wood

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Mr. Anderson	Mr. Ford, R. L.	Mr. Lewis	Mr. Schmidt
Ashley	Ford, Sheridan	O'Brien	Stevenson
Averill	Francis	Palmer	Symonds
Biggerstaff	Haviland	Penney	Tufts
Culver	Hopkins	Person	Ward
Daigneau	Hulse	Petermann	Watkins
De Boer	Jones	Place	Weissert
Edwards	Keen	Quintel	Wieland
Empson	Kemmerling	Read, Thos.	Wiley
Evens	Koehler	Robertson	Woodruff
Ewing	Kooyers	Rogers	Wright
Flowers	Lamphere	Root	Speaker
Follett			

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Pending the announcement of the vote upon the bill,

Mr. Woodruff demanded the vote of Mr. Palmer.

Mr. Palmer voted yea and was so recorded.

Mr. O'Brien demanded the vote of Mr. Daprato.

Mr. Daprato voted yea and was so recorded.

Mr. Nelson moved to amend the bill

By striking out all of section 2, after the word "provided" in line 22, and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

"Provided, That any district board or board of education conceiving itself aggrieved by the order of the Superintendent of Public Instruction, closing such school house or a part thereof, may, within thirty days after service of said order closing such school house or part thereof, commence an action in the circuit court in chancery for the county in which such school house is situated, against the Superintendent of Public Instruction as party defendant, to vacate and set aside such order closing such school house or a part thereof, on the ground that such closed school house or a part thereof, is not in fact unsafe or unsanitary, and that the order so determining is unreasonable and unlawful: Provided, That in the trial of such action the issue as to whether or not such closed school house, or a part thereof, is unsafe and unsanitary, shall be tried before a jury of freeholders of such county: Provided further, That if in the trial of such action, a decree is entered vacating and setting aside said order so closing such school house or a part thereof the said district board or board of education, shall tax against the Superintendent of Public Instruction all costs which said district board or board of education has incurred in prosecuting such action, and which costs so taxed shall be paid by the Superintendent of Public Instruction out of the funds appropriated for the maintenance of the Department of Public Instruction."

The motion prevailed and the amendment was adopted, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor.

Mr. Biggerstaff moved to amend the bill

By inserting in line 4 of section 1 after the word "dollars" the words "or more than twenty-five thousand dollars."

The motion did not prevail and the amendment was not adopted, a majority of all the members-elect not voting therefor.

Mr. Empson moved to amend the bill

By inserting in line 22 of section 2 after the words "freeholders of such county" the words "Provided, That such jurors shall be chosen outside of the district in which such school shall be situated."

The motion did not prevail and the amendment was not adopted, a majority of all the members-elect not voting therefor.

Mr. Palmer moved to reconsider the vote whereby the motion made by Mr. Nelson prevailed and the following amendment was adopted:

"Provided, That any district board or board of education conceiving itself aggrieved by the order of the Superintendent of Public Instruction, closing such school house or a part thereof, may, within thirty days after service of said order closing such school house or part thereof, commence an action in the circuit court in chancery for the county in which such school house is situated, against the Superintendent of

Public Instruction as party defendant, to vacate and set aside such order closing such school house or a part thereof, on the ground that such closed school house or a part thereof, is not in fact unsafe or unsanitary, and that the order so determining is unreasonable and unlawful: Provided, That in the trial of such action the issue as to whether or not such closed school house, or a part thereof, is unsafe and unsanitary, shall be tried before a jury of freeholders of such county: Provided further, That if in the trial of such action, a decree is entered vacating and setting aside said order so closing such school house or a part thereof the said district board or board of education, shall tax against the Superintendent of Public Instruction all costs which said district board or board of education has incurred in prosecuting such action, and which costs so taxed shall be paid by the Superintendent of Public Instruction out of the funds appropriated for the maintenance of the Department of Public Instruction."

The motion prevailed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor.

The question being on the adoption of the amendment offered by Mr. Nelson,

The amendment was not adopted, a majority of all the members-elect not voting therefor.

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Haviland	Mr. O'Brien	Mr. Smith, F. A.
Anderson	Hinkley	Olmsted	Smith, Newel
Ashley	Hoffman	Ormsbee	Stevens
Averill	Hopkins	Palmer	Stevenson
Clark	Hulse	Penney	Sutton
Culver	Jerome, W. F.	Person	Symonds
Daigneau	Jones	Petermann	Tufts
De Boer	Keen	Place	Ward
Edwards	Kemmerling	Quintel	Watkins
Empson	Koehler	Read, Thos.	Weissert
Ewing	Kooyers	Reed, C. J.	Wells
Flowers	Lamphere	Robertson	Whiteley
Ford, R. L.	Lewis	Rogers	Wieland
Ford, Sheridan	McMillan	Root	Wiley
Francis	Martin	Schmidt	Woodruff
Gayde	Moore	Sherman	Wright
Griggs	Oakley	Shields	Speaker

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Mr. Biggerstaff	Mr. Evens	Mr. Miller	Mr. Snow
Bosch	Gettel	Nelson	Sours
Chapin	Green	Ross	Van Antwerp
Cowan	Leland	Sly	Vine
Daprato	Matthews	Smith, S. J.	Wood

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The question being on agreeing to the title of the bill,

Mr. Symonds moved to amend the title so as to read as follows:

A bill to require plans for all school buildings and for additions to

school buildings, the cost of which shall exceed three hundred dollars, to be approved by the Superintendent of Public Instruction, and to authorize the condemnation of school houses under certain conditions.

The motion prevailed.

The House agreed to the title of the bill as amended.

Mr. Symonds moved that the bill be ordered to take immediate effect.

The motion did not prevail, two-thirds of all the members-elect not voting therefor.

Mr. Symonds moved to reconsider the vote whereby the bill was not given immediate effect.

The motion prevailed.

The question being on the motion made by Mr. Symonds,

Mr. Symonds demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was seconded.

The motion made by Mr. Symonds then prevailed, two-thirds of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Haviland	Mr. Palmer	Mr. Snow
Anderson	Hinkley	Penney	Sours
Ashley	Hoffman	Person	Stevens
Averill	Hopkins	Petermann	Stevenson
Biggerstaff	Hulse	Place	Symonds
Chapin	Jerome, W. F.	Quintel	Tufts
Culver	Jones	Read, Thos.	Van Antwerp
Daigneau	Keen	Reed, C. J.	Vine
Daprato	Kemmerling	Robertson	Ward
De Boer	Koehler	Rogers	Watkins
Empson	Kooyers	Root	Weissert
Evens	Lamphere	Ross	Wells
Flowers	Lewis	Schmidt	Whiteley
Follett	McMillan	Sherman	Wieland
Ford, R. L.	Martin	Shields	Wiley
Ford, Sheridan	Matthews	Sly	Wood
Francis	Moore	Smith, F. A.	Woodruff
Gayde	Oakley	Smith, Newel	Wright
Green	O'Brien	Smith, S. J.	Speaker
Griggs	Ormsbee		

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Mr. Cowan Mr. Gettel Mr. Nelson

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Senate bill No. 139 (file No. 126), entitled

A bill to authorize the common council of the city of Detroit to borrow money for the purpose of acquiring lands and constructing library building or buildings thereon, and the completion and maintenance thereof.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Gayde	Mr. Moore	Mr. Smith, S. J.
Anderson	Gettel	Nelson	Snow
Ashley	Green	Oakley	Sours
Averill	Griggs	O'Brien	Stevens
Biggerstaff	Haviland	Olmsted	Stevenson
Bosch	Hinkley	Ormsbee	Sutton
Chapin	Hoffman	Palmer	Symonds
Clark	Hopkins	Penney	Tufts
Cowan	Hulse	Person	Van Antwerp
Culver	Jerome, W. F.	Petermann	Vine
Daigneau	Jones	Place	Ward
Daprato	Keen	Quintel	Watkins
De Boer	Kemmerling	Reed, C. J.	Weissert
Edwards	Koehler	Robertson	Wells
Empson	Kooyers	Root	Whiteley
Evens	Lamphere	Ross	Wieland
Ewing	Leland	Schmidt	Wiley
Flowers	Lewis	Sherman	Wood
Follett	McMillan	Shields	Woodruff
Ford, R. L.	Martin	Sly	Wright
Ford, Sheridan	Matthews	Smith, F. A.	Speaker
Francis	Miller	Smith, Newel	87

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

Mr. Palmer moved that the bill be ordered to take immediate effect.

The motion prevailed, two-thirds of all the members-elect voting therefor.

Senate bill No. 174 (file No. 124), entitled

A bill to provide for the transfer of the powers and duties of the State Game, Fish and Forestry Warden to the Public Domain Commission, and to define the powers and duties of the Public Domain Commission in relation thereto, and to repeal all acts or parts of acts which conflict therewith.

Was read a third time and, the question being on its passage,

Mr. Keen moved to amend the bill

By striking out of lines 1 and 2 of section 2, the words "the said public domain commission," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "the governor."

Mr. Keen demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was not seconded.

The motion made by Mr. Keen then did not prevail, a majority of all the members present not voting therefor.

Mr. Oakley demanded the previous question.

The demand was seconded.

The question being, "Shall the main question be now put?"

The previous question was ordered.

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Gayde	Mr. Oakley	Mr. Smith, Newel
Anderson	Gettel	O'Brien	Smith, S. J.
Ashley	Green	Olmsted	Snow
Averill	Haviland	Ormsbee	Sours
Chapin	Hinkley	Penney	Stevens
Clark	Hoffman	Person	Stevenson
Cowan	Hopkins	Petermann	Tufts
Daigneau	Hulse	Place	Van Antwerp
Daprato	Jerome, W. F.	Quintel	Ward
De Boer	Kemmerling	Read, Thos.	Watkins
Edwards	Koehler	Robertson	Weissert
Evens	Kooyers	Rogers	Whiteley
Ewing	Lamphere	Ross	Wieland
Flowers	Leland	Schmidt	Wood
Follett	Lewis	Sherman	Woodruff
Ford, R. L.	McMillan	Shields	Wright
Ford, Sheridan	Martin	Sly	Speaker
Francis	Nelson	Smith, F. A.	

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Mr. Biggerstaff	Mr. Griggs	Mr. Miller	Mr. Sutton
Bosch	Jones	Moore	Symonds
Culver	Keen	Palmer	Wells
Empson	Matthews	Root	Wiley

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Pending the announcement of the vote upon the bill,

Mr. Koehler demanded the vote of Mr. Flowers.

Mr. Flowers voted aye and was so recorded.

Mr. Oakley demanded the vote of Mr. Jones.

Mr. Jones voted nay and was so recorded.

Mr. Averill demanded the vote of Mr. Hulse.

Mr. Hulse voted aye and was so recorded.

The House agreed to the title of the bill.

Mr. McMillan moved that the bill be ordered to take immediate effect.

The motion prevailed, two-thirds of all the members-elect voting therefor.

Mr. Palmer having reserved the right to explain his vote, sent to the desk and had read the following:

Moved by the eloquence of two-fifths of the Democratic party of the State of Michigan, and not having heard from the other three-fifths of the said party, but appreciating that the Democratic party is a great party, I have voted with the minority party on this measure.

Senate bill No. 94 (file No. 67), entitled

A bill to amend sections 4 and 6 of Act No. 334 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to provide for the establishment, survey, improvement and maintenance of State reward trunk line highways, to provide for the payment of double State reward thereon, to define the duties of the State, county, good roads district and township officers in regard thereto, and to appropriate funds to carry out the provisions thereof," approved May 13, 1913.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Ford, Sheridan	Mr. Oakley	Mr. Smith, S. J.
Anderson	Francis	O'Brien	Sours
Ashley	Gayde	Olmsted	Stevens
Averill	Gettel	Ormsbee	Stevenson
Biggerstaff	Griggs	Palmer	Sutton
Bosch	Hopkins	Person	Symonds
Chapin	Hulse	Petermann	Tufts
Clark	Jones	Place	Van Antwerp
Cowan	Kemmerling	Quintel	Vine
Culver	Koehler	Read, Thos.	Ward
Daigneau	Kooyers	Reed, C. J.	Watkins
Daprato	Lamphere	Robertson	Weissert
De Boer	Leland	Rogers	Wells
Edwards	Lewis	Root	Wieland
Empson	McMillan	Ross	Wiley
Evens	Martin	Schmidt	Wood
Ewing	Matthews	Sherman	Woodruff
Flowers	Miller	Smith, F. A.	Wright
Follett	Nelson	Smith, Newel	Speaker
Ford, R. L.			

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

The Speaker laid before the House the following resolutions, offered yesterday by Mr. Nelson and under Rule 50 laid over until today.

House concurrent resolution No. 16.

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That the Hon. Oramel B. Fuller, Auditor General, be and he is hereby respectfully requested to furnish and convey to this Legislature, as expeditiously as is possible such information as will satisfy the following interrogatories, predicated upon the operation of the mineral reservation tax law, so called, being Act No. 51 of the Public Acts of 1911:

First: What are the total number of mineral reservation descriptions returned delinquent to date?

Second: What are the total number of mineral reservations paid to date?

Third: What are the total number of mineral reservations assessed to date?

Fourth: What are the total number of assessed mineral reservations rejected for divers reasons?

Fifth: Enumerate by counties the total number of mineral reservation descriptions returned delinquent.

Sixth: What is the assessed value of the mineral reservations returned delinquent to date?

Seventh: What is the total revenue realized by the State on assessed mineral reservations paid to date?

Eighth: Enumerate by counties the cost to the State of advertising pursuant to the statute the mineral reservation descriptions returned delinquent?

Ninth: What is the additional departmental expense to the Auditor General's department occasioned by increased duties caused by operation of this statute?

Tenth: What disposition has been made of the Auditor General's petitions for sale of delinquent mineral reservation taxes, in the several counties?

The concurrent resolution was adopted.

Mr. Haviland made written request for the printing of House bill No. 47, entitled

A bill for the improvement of a certain portion of the highway known as the "Fort Gratiot Turnpike" located in the township of Columbus in the county of St. Clair, and making appropriation therefor.

The request was referred to the Committee on Printing.

Mr. Oakley moved that when the House adjourns today, it stand adjourned until tomorrow at 9:00 o'clock a. m.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Oakley moved that when the House adjourns tomorrow, it stand adjourned until Monday at 9:00 o'clock p. m.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Averill moved that

House bill No. 233 (file No. 81), entitled

A bill to amend section 26 of Act 285 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to provide for the creation of a Department of Labor; to make an appropriation for the maintenance of such department and to prescribe penalties for the violation of this act."

Now on the order of General Orders, be re-referred to the Committee on Labor.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Martin moved that House bill No. 229 (file No. 93), entitled

A bill to amend section 5 of Act No. 217 of Public Acts of 1897, entitled "An act to provide for the registration of deaths in Michigan, and requiring certificates of death."

Now on the order of General Orders, be re-referred to the Committee on Public Health.

The motion prevailed.

By unanimous consent.

The Committee on Supplies and Expenditures, by Mr. Amon, Chairman, reported the following accounts, with itemized bills attached, and recommended that vouchers be drawn in payment thereof:

C. W. Smith, postage	\$10 00
C. S. Pierce, postage	10 00
Adams Express Company	42
Western Union Telegraph Company.....	61
Crotty Bros., record and index books.....	4 75

Total \$25 78

The report was accepted, the accounts allowed, and the bills ordered paid.

GENERAL ORDERS OF THE DAY.

Mr. McMillan moved that the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole on the general orders.

The motion prevailed.

The Speaker called Mr. McMillan to the chair.

After a time spent in the consideration of bills upon the general orders, the committee rose, and, through its chairman, made a report recommending the passage, without amendment, of the following entitled bill:

Senate bill No. 25 (file No. 23), entitled

A bill to provide a tax to meet the amounts disbursed by the State for the several State Hospitals, the Michigan Home and Training School and the Eloise Hospital, for the support of patients under the several laws relating thereto,

The bill was placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

The Committee of the Whole reported

Senate bill No. 163 (file No. 123), entitled

A bill to amend section 35 of Act No. 285 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to provide for the creation of a Department of Labor; to prescribe its powers and duties; to regulate the employment of labor; and to make an appropriation for the maintenance of such department, and to prescribe penalties for the violation of this act," as last amended by Act No. 191 of the Public Acts of 1911.

Recommending the adoption of the following amendments thereto, and the passage of the bill when so amended:

1. Amend by inserting in line 6 of section 35, after the words "Kalamazoo" the words "one in the city of Lansing."

2. Amend by inserting in line 6 of section 35, after the words "Bad Axe" the words "one in the city of St. Louis."

The question being on the adoption of the proposed amendments made by the committee,

The amendments were adopted and the bill was placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

The Committee of the Whole reported progress on

House bill No. 259 (file No. 82), entitled

A bill to amend section 15 of chapter 2; sections 6, 7, 10, 18, 20 and 21 of chapter 4; sections 3, 9, 10, 11 and 12 of chapter 5; section 13 of

chapter 8; sections 2 and 3 of chapter 15 of Act No. 283 of the Public Acts of 1909, as amended, entitled "An act to revise, consolidate and add to the laws relating to the establishment, opening, improvement, maintenance and use of the public highways and private roads, the condemnation of property and gravel therefor; the building, repairing and preservation of bridges; setting and protecting shade trees, drainage, cutting weeds and brush within this State, and providing for the election and defining the powers, duties and compensation of State, county, township and district highway officials."

Recommending that the bill be given further consideration.

The recommendation was concurred in, and the committee was given leave further to consider the bill.

Mr. Flowers moved that

House bill No. 128 (file No. 80), entitled

A bill to amend section 7 of Act No. 171 of the Public Acts of 1903, entitled "An act for the incorporation of associations not for pecuniary profit."

Now on the order of General Orders, be re-referred to the Committee on Private Corporations.

The motion prevailed.

By unanimous consent.

Mr. Hoffman moved that

House bill No. 189 (file No. 54), entitled

A bill to amend sections 1, 3, 16, 20, 25, 28 and 38 and to repeal sections 18, 21, 42 and all other sections and parts of sections conflicting with the provisions of this act, of Act No. 281 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act relative to the nomination of party candidates for public office and delegates to political conventions; to regulate primary elections and to prescribe penalties for violations of its provisions; and to provide for the printing upon election ballots of the names of candidates nominated under the terms of this act; and to repeal Act No. 4 of the Public Acts of the Extra Session of the year 1907, and all local primary election acts contravening the provisions of this act, except as in this act otherwise provided," approved June 2, 1909, as amended by Act No. 279 of the Public Acts of 1911, and as further amended by Act No. 118 of the Public Acts of 1913.

Now on the order of General Orders, be made a special order for consideration on Tuesday, March 23, at 2:30 o'clock p. m.

The motion did not prevail.

Mr. Newel Smith moved that the House adjourn.

The motion prevailed, the time being 5:49 o'clock p. m.

The Speaker declared the House adjourned until tomorrow at 9:00 o'clock a. m.

CHARLES S. PIERCE,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.

FORTY-FOURTH DAY.

Lansing, Friday, March 12.

9:00 o'clock a. m.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

Religious exercises were conducted by Rev. C. B. Koch, of the German Methodist Episcopal Church, of Lansing.

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk, who announced that a quorum was present.

Messrs. Croll, Foote, James D. Jerome, Martz, Nank, Rice, Wolcott and Wright were absent with leave.

Messrs. Cowan, Follett, Sheridan Ford, Keen, Sherman, Sutton and Warner were absent without leave.

Mr. Culver moved that Mr. Sheridan Ford be excused from today's session.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Matthews moved that Mr. Sherman be excused from today's session.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Whiteley moved that Mr. Follett be excused from today's and Monday's sessions.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Whiteley moved that an indefinite leave of absence be granted Mr. Cowan.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Haviland moved that the other absentees without leave be excused from today's session.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Chapin asked and obtained a leave of absence from today's session after 10:00 o'clock.

Messrs. Watkins and Clarence J. Reed asked and obtained leaves of absence from Monday's session.

Messrs. Frank A. Smith, DeBoer and Bosch asked and obtained leaves of absence from Monday's and Tuesday's sessions.

Mr. Francis asked and obtained an indefinite leave of absence after today's session.

Mr. Wieland moved that Mr. Griggs be excused from the balance of today's and Monday's sessions.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

Mr. Henry presented
Petition No. 838.

Petition of E. B. Happins and 5 other citizens of Battle Creek, Calhoun county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Watkins presented
Petition No. 839.

Petition of Wm. H. Boyns and 9 other citizens of Grand Rapids, Kent county requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 64, relative to a retirement fund for teachers.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Watkins presented
Petition No. 840.

Petition of A. R. Turner and 39 other citizens of Grand Rapids, Kent county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

The Speaker presented
Petition No. 841.

Petition of the W. C. T. U. of Lapeer, Lapeer county, in favor of the passage of Senate bill No. 91 (file No. 64), relative to providing for procedure in courts of chancery, to enjoin and abate houses of lewdness, assignation and prostitution.

The petition was referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Frank A. Smith presented
Petition No. 842.

Protest of Wilber Mansfield and 29 other citizens of Boon, Wexford county, against any increase in the rate of passenger fares charged by the railroads of the State.

The protest was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Frank A. Smith presented

Petition No. 843.

Protest of Henry Smith and 17 other citizens of Sherman, Wexford county, against any increase in the rate of passenger fares charged by the railroads of the State.

The protest was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Frank A. Smith presented

Petition No. 844.

Petition of Arthur A. Glen and 22 other citizens of Dover, Lake county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 48, relative to prohibiting the manufacture, sale, keeping for sale or giving away cigarettes.

The petition was referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Public Health, by Mr. Newel Smith, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 155, entitled

A bill to amend section 7 of Act No. 81 of the Laws of Michigan of 1873, entitled "An act to establish a State Board of Health; to provide for the appointment of a superintendent of vital statistics, and to assign certain duties to the local boards of health," being compiler's section 4403 of the Compiled Laws of 1907, as amended by Act No. 255 of the Public Acts of 1913.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The Committee on Public Health, by Mr. Newel Smith, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 292, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1, 4 and 5 of Act No. 109 of the Public Acts of 1907, entitled "An act to provide for the appointment of a bacteriologist by the State Board of Health; to provide for the purchase of the necessary appliances and apparatus for bacteriological examinations, and providing an appropriation therefor," as amended by Act No. 122 of the Public Acts of 1909.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The Committee on Public Health, by Mr. Newel Smith, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 293, entitled

A bill to amend section 3 of chapter 35 of the Revised Statutes of 1846, relative to the preservation of the public health, quarantine, nuisances and offenses of trade, amended by Act No. 70 of the Session Laws of 1893, the same being section 4412 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Public Health, by Mr. Newel Smith, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 294, entitled

A bill to amend section 44 of chapter 35 of the Revised Statutes of 1846, relative to the preservation of the public health, quarantine, nuisances and offensive trades, as amended by Act 158 of the Public Acts of 1895, the same being section 4453 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Public Health, by Mr. Newel Smith, Chairman, reported

Senate bill No. 116 (file No. 141), entitled

A bill to amend section 6 of Act No. 81 of the Public Acts of 1873, entitled "An act to establish a State Board of Health, to provide for the appointment of a superintendent of vital statistics, and to assign certain duties to local boards of health," as amended by Act No. 18 of the Public Acts of 1905, being section 4402 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The Committee on Public Health, by Mr. Newel Smith, Chairman, reported

Senate bill No. 133 (file No. 144), entitled

A bill to amend section 4 of Act No. 81 of the Public Acts of 1873, entitled "An act to establish a State Board of Health, to provide for the appointment of a superintendent of vital statistics, and to assign certain duties to local boards of health," as amended by Act No. 18 of the Public Acts of 1905, being section 4400 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

A message was received from the Senate informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had concurred in the amendments made by the House of Representatives to

Senate bill No. 103 (file No. 75), entitled

A bill to amend section 31 of Act 173 of the Public Acts for the year 1913, entitled "An act to establish a farm colony for the humane, cura-

tive, scientific and economical treatment of epileptic persons, exclusive of insane and idiotic persons, to be known as the 'Michigan Farm Colony for Epileptics,' to regulate the procedure for admission thereto and to provide for the management and control thereof and making an appropriation therefor."

A message was received from the Senate informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had concurred in the amendments made by the House of Representatives to

Senate bill No. 112 (file No. 81), entitled

A bill to amend section 15 of Act No. 173 of the Public Acts of the State of Michigan for the year 1913, entitled "An act to establish a farm colony for the humane, curative, scientific and economical treatment of epileptic persons, exclusive of insane and idiotic persons, to be known as the 'Michigan Farm Colony for Epileptics,' to regulate the procedure for admission thereto and to provide for the management and control thereof and making an appropriation therefor."

A message was received from the Senate informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had concurred in the amendments made by the House of Representatives to

Senate bill No. 24 (file No. 22) entitled

A bill to provide for completing the records of plats in the office of the Auditor General by making an examination of all plats on file in the registers of deeds' offices in the several counties of this State, making tracings of all plats of record that are not of record in the office of the Auditor General, from which blue prints shall be made and filed in the office of the Auditor General, for the redesignation of captions of plats now on file for assessment purposes, and making an appropriation therefor; and requiring county officers to furnish necessary information and certified copies of certain court orders.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting

Senate bill No. 162 (file No. 137), entitled

A bill to amend section 7 of Act No. 77 of the Public Acts of 1869, entitled "An act in relation to life insurance companies transacting business within this State," being section 7196 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Insurance.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting

Senate bill No. 81 (file No. 57), entitled

A bill to provide for the incorporation and regulation of companies to insure railway conductors, railway engineers and railway officials for the loss of position arising from discharge or retirement.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Insurance.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting Senate bill No. 32 (file No. 26), entitled

A bill to provide for an average or pro rata rider clause to be attached to the Michigan standard fire insurance policy.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Insurance.

A message was received from the Senate returning House bill No. 173 (file No. 60), entitled

A bill to repeal Act No. 334 of the Session Laws of 1869, entitled "An act for the protection of fish in the lakes known as Devil's lake and Round lake, in Lenawee county; Whitmore lake, Washtenaw county, and Brace lake, Calhoun county," as amended by Act No. 169 of the Local Acts of 1889.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill.

The bill was referred to the Clerk for enrollment printing and presentation to the Governor.

A message was received from the Senate returning House bill No. 14 (file No. 22), entitled

A bill to amend section 4 of Act No. 205 of the Public Acts of 1887, entitled "An act to revise the laws authorizing the business of banking, and to establish a Banking Department for the supervision of such business," being section 6093 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by Act No. 11 of the Public Acts of 1913, to enable State banks to become member banks under the federal reserve act.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had amended the bill as follows:

Line 35, after the word "thereto" and within the bracket, add the following: "Provided, however, That the amount of reserve required to be kept on hand by any such bank becoming a member bank under the said Federal Reserve Act shall be as fixed by said Federal Reserve Act or any amendment thereto, and not as fixed by the provisions of this act."

And further informing the House of Representatives that, as thus amended, the Senate had passed the bill.

The Speaker announced that under Rule 50 the bill would lie over one day for action on the Senate amendments to the bill.

A message was received from the Senate returning House bill No. 125 (file No. 29), entitled

A bill to amend section 28 of Act No. 182 of the Public Acts of 1885, entitled "An act to provide for the appointment of a State Live Stock Sanitary Commission and a State Veterinarian, and to prescribe their powers and duties, and to prevent and suppress contagious and infectious diseases among the live stock of the State," as last amended by Act No. 199 of the Public Acts of 1913, and to add four new sections thereto to stand as sections 29, 30, 31 and 32; relative to the suppression of hog cholera.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill.

The bill was referred to the Clerk for enrollment printing and presentation to the Governor.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting Senate bill No. 170 (file No. 120), entitled

A bill to amend sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 of Act No. 256 of the Public Acts of 1911, entitled "An act to encourage the breeding of horses, to regulate the public service of stallions, to request the registration of stallions and to provide for the enforcement thereof," and to add a new section thereto to stand as section 9, and to repeal Act No. 28 of the Public Acts of 1887, Act No. 166 of the Public Acts of 1905 and Act No. 145 of the Public Acts of 1907, and all acts amendatory thereto.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

A message was received from the Senate informing the House that the Senate had concurred in the adoption of the following resolution:

House concurrent resolution No. 15.

Whereas, There is in prospect a great loss to the agricultural interests of Michigan by the failure to find a market for the immense potato crop, which must necessarily occasion great waste of food, and that there is a possibility of utilizing such for good by means of drying or otherwise; therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That the Secretary of the Public Domain Commission be requested to take immediate steps to ascertain the commercial possibilities for dried potatoes, or potato flour, in the domestic or foreign market, and the utilization of the pulp driers in the sugar beet factories or in the chicory factories, to the benefit of Michigan industries, and make a report to the Legislature of his findings.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Stevens introduced
House bill No. 337.

A bill to provide for and limit the taxes to be spread and assessed against property within the limits of an incorporated village.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Culver introduced
House bill No. 338, entitled

A bill to amend section 15 of Act No. 207 of the Public Acts of 1899, entitled "An act to prohibit the manufacture, sale, keeping for sale, giving away or furnishing of vinous, malt, brewed, fermented, spirituous or intoxicating liquors, or any mixed liquor or beverage, any part of which is intoxicating, and to prohibit the keeping of any saloon or other place for the manufacture, sale, storing for sale, giving away or furnishing of such liquors or beverages and to suspend the general laws of the State relative to the taxation and regulation of the manufacture

and sale of such liquors in the several counties of this State under certain circumstances; to authorize the qualified electors of the several counties in this State to express their will in regard to such prohibition by an election, and to authorize and empower the boards of supervisors of the several counties, after such election, if they shall determine the result to be in favor of such prohibition, to prohibit the manufacture, sale, keeping for sale, giving away or furnishing of any such liquors, or the keeping of a saloon or any other place for the manufacture, sale, storing for sale, giving away or furnishing of the same within their respective counties; and to provide for penalties and rights of action in case of its violation," being section 5426 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as last amended by Act No. 170 of the Public Acts of 1903.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Penney introduced

House bill No. 339, entitled

A bill to authorize national banks now or hereafter located and doing business in this State, having the requisite capital, to act as trustee, executor, administrator or registrar of stocks and bonds under such rules and regulations as the Federal Reserve Board may prescribe when and while specially permitted so to do by the Federal Reserve Board, pursuant to the terms and provisions of the federal reserve act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. Robertson (by request) introduced

House bill No. 340, entitled

A bill to regulate the business and occupation of plumbing; to create a board of examiners of plumbers for the examination and licensing of persons to carry on such business or occupation; to provide and fix penalties for violations of the provisions of this act, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Watkins introduced

House joint resolution No. 8.

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to section 30 of article V of the Constitution, relative to right of repeal of local or special acts by the Legislature.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Revision and Amendment to the Constitution.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

Senate bill No. 25 (file No. 23), entitled

A bill to provide a tax to meet the amounts disbursed by the State for the several State hospitals, the Michigan Home and Training School and the Eloise Hospital, for the support of patients under the several laws relating thereto.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Green	Mr. Oakley	Mr. Smith, F. A.
Anderson	Haviland	O'Brien	Smith, Newel
Ashley	Henry	Olmsted	Smith, S. J.
Averill	Hoffman	Palmer	Snow
Biggerstaff	Hopkins	Penney	Stevens
Bosch	Hulse	Person	Stevenson
Chapin	Jerome, W. F.	Petermann	Symonds
Clark	Jones	Place	Tufts
Culver	Kemmerling	Pray	Van Antwerp
Daigneau	Koehler	Quintel	Vine
Daprato	Kooyers	Read, Thos.	Ward
De Boer	Lamphere	Reed, C. J.	Watkins
Empson	Leland	Robertson	Wells
Evens	Lewis	Rogers	Whiteley
Ewing	McMillan	Root	Wieland
Flowers	Martin	Ross	Wiley
Ford, R. L.	Miller	Schmidt	Wood
Francis	Moore	Shields	Woodruff
Gayde	Nelson	Sly	Speaker
Gettel			

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

Mr. Empson moved that the bill be ordered to take immediate effect.

The motion prevailed, two-thirds of all the members-elect voting therefor.

Senate bill No. 163 (file No. 123), entitled

A bill to amend section 35 of Act No. 285 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to provide for the creation of a department of labor; to prescribe its powers and duties; to regulate the employment of labor; and to make an appropriation for the maintenance of such department, and to prescribe penalties for the violation of this act," as last amended by Act No. 191 of the Public Acts of 1911.

Was read a third time and, the question being on its passage,

Mr. DeBoer moved to amend the bill

By inserting in line 25 of section 35 the words "Provided, That all managers or superintendents in charge of State free employment bureaus shall devote their entire time to the work of their office while receiving salary or wages from the State.

The motion prevailed and the amendment was adopted, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor.

The bill was then passed, a majority of the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Gettel	Mr. Palmer	Mr. Snow
Ashley	Green	Penney	Sours
Averill	Hoffman	Person	Stevens
Biggerstaff	Jerome, W. F.	Petermann	Stevenson
Bosch	Jones	Place	Symonds
Chapin	Koehler	Pray	Vine
Clark	Kooyers	Quintel	Ward
Daigneau	Lamphere	Read, Thos.	Watkins
Daprato	McMillan	Reed, C. J.	Weissert
De Boer	Martin	Robertson	Wells
Empson	Matthews	Rogers	Whiteley
Evens	Miller	Ross	Wieland
Flowers	Moore	Schmidt	Wiley
Ford, R. L.	Oakley	Shields	Wood
Francis	Olmsted	Sly	Woodruff
Gayde	Ormsbee	Smith, Newel	Speaker

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Mr. Anderson	Mr. Leland	Mr. O'Brien	Mr. Smith, S. J.
Henry	Lewis	Root	Tufts
Hulse	Nelson	Smith, F. A.	Van Antwerp

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Hoffman moved that .

House bill No. 189 (file No. 54), entitled

A bill to amend sections 1, 3, 16, 20, 25, 28 and 38 and to repeal sections 18, 21 and 42 and all other sections and parts of sections conflicting with the provisions of this act, of Act No. 281 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act relative to the nomination of party candidates for public office and delegates to political conventions; to regulate primary elections and to prescribe penalties for violations of its provisions; and to provide for the printing upon election ballots of the names of candidates nominated under the terms of this act; and to repeal Act No. 4 of the Public Acts of the Extra Session of the year 1907, and all local primary election acts contravening the provisions of this act, except as in this act otherwise provided," approved June 2, 1909, as amended by Act No. 279 of the Public Acts of 1911, and as further amended by Act No. 118 of the Public Acts of 1913.

Now on the order of General Orders, be made a special order for consideration on Tuesday, March 18, at 2:30 o'clock p. m.

The motion did not prevail.

Mr. C. J. Reed offered the following resolution:

House resolution No. 39.

Whereas, It is the consensus of opinion of the members of this House that legislation should be expedited as much as may be in order that a seasonable adjournment may be had, and

Whereas, The members of the House are willing to submit to personal inconvenience and to make every possible effort towards said end; therefore be it

Resolved, That work of every kind shall be hastened as much as possible, and that unless otherwise provided daily sessions shall be held at 10:30 a. m. for the transaction of business, to the end that due consideration may be given to the various measures now pending and hereafter to be introduced, and proper deliberation had thereon.

Mr. Flowers moved that the resolution be laid on the table.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Tufts moved that the House adjourn.

The motion prevailed, the time being 9:57 o'clock a. m.

The Speaker declared the House adjourned until Monday at 9:00 o'clock p. m.

CHARLES S. PIERCE,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.

FORTY-FIFTH DAY.

Lansing, Monday, March 15.

9:00 o'clock p. m.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

Religious exercises were conducted by Rev. W. F. Jerome, of St. Peter's Episcopal Church, of Hillsdale.

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk, who announced that a quorum was present.

Messrs. Bosch, Cowan, DeBoer, Griggs, Nank, Clarence J. Reed, Frank A. Smith and Watkins were absent with leave.

Messrs. Flowers, Haviland, Miller, Rice, Ward, Wieland and Wood were absent without leave.

Mr. Whiteley moved that all absentees without leave be excused from today's session.

The motion prevailed.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

Mr. Martin presented

Petition No. 845.

Petition of Harry Little and 117 other citizens of Owosso, Shiawassee county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Hopkins presented

Petition No. 846.

Petition of J. S. Anderson and 37 other citizens of Manistee county, in favor of House bill No. 126, relative to prohibiting and preventing adulteration, fraud and deception in the manufacture and sale of articles of food and drink.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Horticulture.

Mr. Hopkins presented.

Petition No. 847.

Petition of Peter H. Lass and 8 other citizens of Manistee county, in favor of House bill No. 79, relative to prohibiting the hunting of rabbits with ferrets and guinea pigs.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Horticulture.

Mr. Symonds presented

Petition No. 848.

Protest of Hayes S. Rouse and 117 other citizens of Menominee county, against any increase in the rate of passenger fares charged by the railroads of the State.

The protest was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Thomas Read presented

Petition No. 849.

Petition of Rev. N. F. Jenkins and 65 other citizens of Oceana county, in favor of the passage of a bill relative to the reading of the Holy Bible in the public schools of the State, without comment by the teachers, and permitting any child to leave the room during such reading upon written request of the parents or guardians.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Symonds presented

Petition No. 850.

Petition of Rev. W. M. Todd, pastor, and 54 other members of the Crystal Valley Methodist Episcopal Church and Sunday School of Crystal Valley, Oceana county, requesting the passage of a bill relative to the reading of the Holy Bible in the public schools of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Oakley presented

Petition No. 851.

Protest of J. A. Streeter and 36 other citizens of Bay county, against the passage of any law imposing burdensome conditions or high license for selling domestic and stock remedies, spices, extracts, etc., by retail from wagons.

The protest was referred to the Committee on Public Health.

Mr. Schmidt presented

Petition No. 852.

Petition of C. Williams and 12 other citizens of Osceola county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Stevens presented

Petition No. 853.

Petition of Homer B. Kerns and 48 other teachers of Kalkaska county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 64, relative to a retirement fund for teachers.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Ashley presented

Petition No. 854.

Petition of Leo Ray and 5 other citizens of Detroit, Wayne county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Place presented

Petition No. 855.

Petition of Lester Hecklemann and 13 other citizens of St. Joseph and Cass counties, requesting the passage of a bill, to amend Act 214, of the Public Acts of 1907, permitting suckers to be taken from the waters of Long Lake, St. Joseph county, by means of a set-over net.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Fish and Fisheries.

Mr. Stevens presented

Petition No. 856.

Protest of W. H. Fuller and 49 other citizens of Kalkaska county, against the passage of House bill No. 46, relative to changing the present policy of State Reward Road to a basis of assessed valuation.

The protest was referred to the Committee on Roads and Bridges.

Mr. Anderson presented

Petition No. 857.

Petition of Elmer Rickett and 16 other citizens of the State, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Anderson presented

Petition No. 858.

Petition of B. Schoonmaker and 43 other citizens of Benzie county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Sherman presented

Petition No. 859.

Petition of Philip S. Shoemaker and 99 other citizens of Kingston, Tuscola county, in favor of the passage of Senate bill No. 91 (file No. 64), relative to providing for procedure in courts of chancery, to enjoin and abate houses of lewdness, assignation and prostitution.

The petition was referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Shields presented

Petition No. 860.

Petition of A. F. Hagen and 18 other citizens of Lake Linden, Houghton county, in favor of the passage of Senate bill No. 64, relative to a retirement fund for teachers.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Evens presented

Petition No. 861.

Protest of E. R. Root and 83 other citizens of Branch county, against

the passage of Senate bill No. 64, relative to a retirement fund for teachers.

The protest was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Oakley presented
Petition No. 862.

Resolutions adopted by the Real Estate Exchange of Bay City, opposing the Torrens tax bill so-called.

The following are the resolutions:

Resolved, That we do not favor the passage of the so-called Torrens bill now pending before the Legislature of the State, and believe it is not for our best interests or the interests of the property owners, be it further

Resolved, That the proposed change would complicate instead of simplifying the transfer of titles and would be not only more expensive to the parties interested but would add a useless expense to the taxpayers at large. That it would result in endless complications and delays and render the decisions of our Supreme Court, that have for years settled our Real Estate laws, useless, be it further

Resolved, That we send to the Real Estate Boards of the State a copy of these resolutions and ask that they use their influence to defeat the bill.

The above resolution was, without a dissenting vote, adopted at a meeting of the Bay City Real Estate Exchange, held on March 11, 1915.

T. E. WEBSTER,
Vice-President.
HARRY J. TIERNEY,
Secretary.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on General Taxation.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY CLERK OF PRINTING OF BILLS.

The Clerk announced that the following named bills had been printed and placed upon the files of the members Friday, March 12:

Senate bill No. 227 (file No. 176), entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of Act 182 of the Public Acts of 1907, entitled "An act regulating life insurance companies and prohibiting the diversion of funds for political purposes," approved June 18, 1907.

Senate bill No. 228 (file No. 177), entitled

A bill to provide for the transfer to the enlarging hospital fund of a certain unexpended appropriation for the Industrial Home for Girls.

Senate bill No. 229 (file No. 178), entitled

A bill to amend section 10 of Act No. 285 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to provide for the creation of a department of labor; to prescribe its powers and duties; to regulate the employment of labor; to make an appropriation for the maintenance of such department, and to prescribe penalties for the violation of this act," approved June 2, 1909.

Senate bill No. 230 (file No. 179), entitled

A bill to require all motor boats, launches, or other water craft propelled by gasoline or other internal combustion engines, operated on the

inland waters of this State, to be equipped with mufflers, underwater exhausts or other suitable devices to deaden sound; and to provide penalties for violations.

House bill No. 53 (file No. 88), entitled

A bill to provide a tax to meet the amounts disbursed by the State for the current expenses of the Michigan State Prison, the State House of Correction and Branch Prison in the Upper Peninsula, and the Michigan Reformatory.

The Clerk announced that the following named bills had been printed and placed upon the files of the members Monday, March 15:

Senate bill No. 232 (file No. 180), entitled

A bill to authorize the State Game, Fish and Forestry Warden to revise, consolidate and compile in classified form all laws which provide for the protection of fish, wild animals and wild birds protected by the laws of this State.

Senate bill No. 233 (file No. 181), entitled

A bill to amend sections 6, 7, 8, 13, 14 and 29 of Act No. 50 of the Public Acts of 1887, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations, generally known as building and loan associations," the same being chapter 206 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as last amended by Act No. 17 of the Public Acts of 1901.

Senate bill No. 234 (file No. 182), entitled

A bill to provide for safety to life and property in this State in the use and construction of steam boilers; creating a board of boiler rules to prescribe uniform rules and regulations for boilers, used or manufactured in this State; to provide for the inspection of boilers used in cities and the licensing of operators of the same; defining the power of the board of boiler rules; to provide penalties for violation of this act and rules and regulations of the board of boiler rules, and making an appropriation to carry out the provisions of this act.

Senate bill No. 235 (file No. 183), entitled

A bill to repeal Act No. 244 of the Public Acts of 1911, entitled "An act to restrain and to prohibit gift enterprises, to prevent the issuing, selling or giving away of trading stamps, or of certificates, coupons, or any token or writing redeemable with or exchangeable, in whole or in part, for articles of merchandise or value as prizes, premiums or otherwise, by any firm, corporation or individual except as herein otherwise provided; to define what shall be treated as gift enterprises and trading stamps, and to fix the penalties for the violation of this act."

Senate bill No. 236 (file No. 184), entitled

A bill to amend section 7 of Act No. 206 of the Public Acts of 1893, entitled "An act to provide for the assessment of property and the levy and collection of taxes thereon, and for the collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied; making such taxes a lien on the lands taxed, establishing and continuing such lien, providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes, and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the State and not redeemed or purchased; and to repeal Act No. 200 of the Public Acts of 1891 and all other acts or parts of acts in anywise contravening any of the provisions of this act," being section 7 of chapter 98 and compiler's section 3830 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as last amended by Act No. 174 of the Public Acts of 1911.

Senate bill No. 237 (file No. 185), entitled

A bill to detach the county of Lapeer from the sixth judicial circuit, and to form a judicial circuit therefrom to be known as the fortieth judicial circuit, and to provide for the election of a circuit judge therein.

Senate bill No. 239 (file No. 186), entitled

A bill to amend sections 9, 11, 18, 22, 29, 30, 45, 46, 49 and 78 of Act No. 84 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to increase the efficiency of the military establishment of the State of Michigan, to make an appropriation therefor, and to repeal all former acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act," approved May 12, 1909, as amended by Acts Nos. 67 and 172 of the Public Acts of 1911 and Act No. 157 of the Public Acts of 1913.

Senate joint resolution No. 9 (file No. 187), entitled

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to section 3 of article XVI of the Constitution of the State of Michigan, relative to the salaries of Justices of the Supreme Court.

Senate bill No. 120, substituted March 10, 1915 (file No. 188), entitled

A bill giving the assent of the Legislature of the State of Michigan to the grant of moneys from the United States by act of Congress approved May 8, 1914, entitled "An act to provide for co-operative agricultural extension work between the agricultural colleges in the several states receiving the benefits of an act of Congress approved July 2, 1862, and of acts supplementary thereto, and the United States Department of Agriculture," and designating the officer to whom the payments are to be made.

Senate bill No. 175 (file No. 189), entitled

A bill relative to the loaning of money in small sums in cities and prescribing rates of interest, penalties and forfeitures for violations of the provisions of such act, and repealing Act No. 337 of the Public Acts of 1907, and all other acts or parts of acts contravening the provisions hereof.

Senate bill No. 216 (file No. 190), entitled

A bill to amend section 3 of Act 22 of the Public Acts of 1891, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation of lodges of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks," being compiler's section 8081 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by Act 33 of the Public Acts of 1895.

Senate bill No. 203 (file No. 191), entitled

A bill to protect the users of cement by requiring that sacks or bags containing it shall be stamped with the date when put up, by proper storage, and to provide a penalty for violations of the same.

House bill No. 191 (file No. 89), entitled

A bill to amend section 7 of chapter 1 of Act No. 283 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to revise, consolidate and add to the laws relating to the establishment, opening, improvement, maintenance and use of the public highways and private roads, the condemnation of property and gravel therefor; the building, repairing and preservation of bridges; setting and protecting shade trees; drainage; cutting weeds and brush within the State, and providing for the election and defining the powers, duties and compensation of State, county, township and district highway officials."

House bill No. 303 (file No. 90), entitled

A bill to amend section 29 of chapter 145 of the Revised Statutes of 1846 relative to the powers, duties and obligations of assignees of insolvent debtors, as amended by Act 161 of the Public Acts of 1869, the same being section 9673 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

House bill No. 302 (file No. 91), entitled

A bill to authorize the general laws of this State entitled "Howell's Annotated Statutes of the State of Michigan, Second Edition," to be received and used in evidence.

House bill No. 45 (file No. 92), entitled

A bill to provide for the examination, registration, regulation and licensing of chiropodists, and for the punishment of offenders against this act, and to repeal acts or parts of acts in conflict therewith.

House bill No. 229 (file No. 93), entitled

A bill to amend section 5 of Act 217 of the Public Acts of 1897, entitled "An act to provide for the registration of deaths in Michigan, and requiring certificates of death."

House bill No. 277 (file No. 94), entitled

A bill to promote the health, safety and welfare of the people by regulating the light and ventilation, sanitation, fire protection, maintenance, alteration and improvement of dwellings; to define the classes of dwellings affected by the act, to establish administrative requirements and to establish remedies and fix penalties for the violation thereof.

House bill No. 245 (file No. 95), entitled

A bill to regulate the receiving of gifts and gratuities by employes of agricultural societies and others.

House bill No. 304 (file No. 96), entitled

A bill to provide for the furnishing, at public expense, suitable markers for the graves of honorably discharged soldiers, sailors and marines who served in the army of the United States, to provide for the marking and designation of such graves for memorial purposes, to provide a penalty for the removal or destruction of such markers or designs when placed, and to repeal Act No. 136 of the Public Acts of 1907.

House bill No. 255 (file No. 97), entitled

A bill to amend section 25 of Act No. 206 of the Public Acts of 1893, entitled "An act to provide for the assessment of property and the levy and collection of taxes thereon, and for the collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied; making such taxes a lien on the lands taxed, establishing and continuing such lien, providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes, and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the State and not redeemed or purchased; and to repeal Act No. 200 of the Public Acts of 1891, and all other acts and parts of acts in anywise contravening any of the provisions of this act," being section 3848 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

House bill No. 219 (file No. 98), entitled

A bill to amend section 141 of Act No. 206 of the Public Acts of 1893, entitled "An act to provide for the assessment of property and the levy and collection of taxes thereon and for the collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied; making such taxes a lien on the lands taxed, establishing and continuing such lien, providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes, and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the State and not redeemed or purchased; and

House bill No. 82 (file No. 111), entitled

A bill to amend section 1 and section 9 of Act No. 294 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to provide for the licensing and regulating of the business of transient merchants; to prevent the fraudulent sale of goods by such transient merchants; to provide a lien on the goods of such transient merchants for the license fees prescribed, and to provide penalties for the violation thereof."

House bill No. 155 (file No. 112), entitled

A bill to amend section 7 of Act No. 81 of the Laws of Michigan of 1873, entitled "An act to establish a State Board of Health; to provide for the appointment of a superintendent of vital statistics, and to assign certain duties to the local boards of health; being compilers' section 4403 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by Act No. 255 of the Public Acts of 1913.

House bill No. 292 (file No. 113), entitled

A bill to amend sections 1, 4 and 5 of Act No. 109 of the Public Acts of 1907, entitled "An act to provide for the appointment of a bacteriologist by the State Board of Health; to provide for the purchase of the necessary appliances and apparatus for bacteriological examinations, and providing an appropriation therefor," as amended by Act No. 122 of the Public Acts of 1909.

House bill No. 293 (file No. 114), entitled

A bill to amend section 3 of chapter 35 of the Revised Statutes of 1846, relative to the preservation of the public health, quarantine, nuisances and offenses of trade, amended by Act No. 70 of the Session Laws of 1893, the same being section 4412 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

House bill No. 294 (file No. 115), entitled

A bill to amend section 44 of chapter 35 of the Revised Statutes of 1846, relative to the preservation of the public health, quarantine, nuisances and offensive trades, as amended by Act 158 of the Public Acts of 1895, the same being section 4453 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

The Clerk announced the enrollment printing and the presentation to the Governor, on March 15, for his approval, of the following named bills:

House bill No. 136 (file No. 35), enrolled No. 12, entitled

A bill to amend Act No. 184 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to regulate the business of selling farm products on commission, providing all commission merchants dealing in farm products shall be licensed, to provide against and punish fraud and deception in the sale of farm products on commission, and defining the duties of the State Dairy and Food Commissioner relative thereto," by adding thereto a new section to be known as section 11.

House bill No. 115 (file No. 32), enrolled No. 13, entitled

A bill to repeal Act No. 1 of the Session Laws of 1869, as amended, entitled "An act to designate the time and provide the manner of electing United States senators," being sections 1144, 1145, 1146 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

House bill No. 125 (file No. 29), enrolled No. 14, entitled

A bill to amend section 28 of Act No. 182 of the Public Acts of 1885, entitled "An act to provide for the appointment of a State Live Stock Sanitary Commission and a State Veterinarian, and to prescribe their powers and duties, and to prevent and suppress contagious and infectious diseases among the live stock of the State," as last amended by Act No. 199 of the Public Acts of 1913, and to add four new sections thereto to stand as sections 29, 30, 31 and 32; relative to the suppression of hog cholera.

House bill No. 173 (file No. 60), enrolled No. 15, entitled

A bill to repeal Act No. 334 of the Session Laws of 1869, entitled "An act for the protection of fish in the lakes known as Devil's Lake and Round Lake in Lenawee county; Whitmore Lake, Washtenaw county, and Brace Lake, Calhoun county," as amended by Act No. 169 of the Local Acts of 1889.

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR.

A message was received from the Governor informing the House of Representatives that on Friday, March 12, he had approved

House bill No. 68 (file No. 12), enrolled No. 2, entitled

A bill to authorize the common council of cities of the fourth class to provide by ordinance for the establishment of central places of registration of the electors of said city.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker laid before the House

House bill No. 14 (file No. 22), entitled

A bill to amend section 4 of Act No. 205, of the Public Acts of 1887, entitled "An act to revise the laws authorizing the business of banking, and to establish a Banking Department for the supervision of such business," being section 6093 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by Act No. 11, of the Public Acts of 1913, to enable State banks to become member banks under the federal reserve act.

Which was received from the Senate on March 12, with a Senate amendment, and laid over one day under the rules.

The following is the Senate amendment:

Line 35, after the word "thereto" and within the bracket, add the following: "Provided, however, That the amount of reserve required to be kept on hand by any such bank becoming a member bank under the said Federal-Reserve Act shall be as fixed by said Federal-Reserve Act or any amendment thereto, and not as fixed by the provisions of this act."

The question being on concurring in the amendment made by the Senate,

The amendment was concurred in, two-thirds of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

Mr. Jones introduced

House bill No. 345, entitled

A bill to amend Act No. 10, Public Acts of 1912, entitled "An act to promote the welfare of the people of this State, relating to the liability of employers for injuries or death sustained by their employes, providing compensation for the accidental injury to or death of employes and methods for the payment of the same, establishing an Industrial Accident Board, defining its powers, providing for a review of its awards, making an appropriation to carry out the provisions of this act, and restricting the right to compensation or damages in such cases to such as are provided by this act," approved March 20, 1912, by adding thereto a new section to be known as section 20, part 3, providing for the appointment of deputy commissioners.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Labor.

Mr. Lewis introduced

House bill No. 346, entitled

A bill to provide for the incorporation of associations engaged in or about to engage in a mutual cooperative telephone business without capital stock; and to declare such associations as have heretofore incorporated for a like purpose under Act No. 171 of the Public Acts of 1903, to be legally organized under and subject to the provisions of this act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. Ormsbee introduced

House joint resolution No. 9, entitled

Joint resolution proposing an amendment to section 9 of article VII of the Constitution, relative to the election and term of office of circuit judges.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Revision and Amendment to the Constitution.

Mr. Ormsbee introduced

House joint resolution No. 10, entitled

Joint resolution proposing an amendment to section 2 of article VII of the Constitution, relative to the election of Justices of the Supreme Court.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Revision and Amendment to the Constitution.

Mr. Ormsbee introduced

House joint resolution No. 11, entitled

Joint resolution proposing an amendment to section 2 of article XI of the Constitution, relative to the election and term of office of a Superintendent of Public Instruction.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Revision and Amendment to the Constitution.

Mr. Ormsbee introduced
House joint resolution No. 12, entitled
Joint resolution proposing an amendment to section 1 of article VI of the Constitution, relative to the election and term of office of certain State officers.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Revision and Amendment to the Constitution.

Mr. Ormsbee introduced
House joint resolution No. 13, entitled
Joint resolution proposing an amendment to section 2 of article V of the Constitution, relative to the election and term of office of State Senators.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Revision and Amendment to the Constitution.

Mr. Ormsbee introduced
House joint resolution No. 14, entitled
Joint resolution proposing an amendment to section 3 of article V of the Constitution, relative to the election and term of office of State Representatives.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Revision and Amendment to the Constitution.

Mr. Ormsbee introduced
House joint resolution No. 15, entitled
Joint resolution proposing an amendment to section 3 of article VIII of the Constitution, relative to the election and term of office of certain county officers.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Revision and Amendment to the Constitution.

Mr. Ormsbee introduced
House joint resolution No. 16, entitled
Joint resolution proposing an amendment to section 3 of article XI of the Constitution, relative to the election of members of the board of Regents of the University.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Revision and Amendment to the Constitution.

Mr. Ormsbee introduced
House joint resolution No. 17, entitled
Joint resolution proposing an amendment to section 6 of article XI of the Constitution, relative to the election and term of office of members of the State Board of Education.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Revision and Amendment to the Constitution.

Mr. Ormsbee introduced

House joint resolution No. 18, entitled

Joint resolution proposing an amendment to section 7 of article XI of the Constitution, relative to the election and term of office of members of the State Board of Agriculture.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Revision and Amendment to the Constitution.

Mr. Ormsbee introduced

House joint resolution No. 19, entitled

Joint resolution proposing an amendment to section 12 of article V of the Constitution, relative to the election of Senators and Representatives.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Revision and Amendment to the Constitution.

Mr. O'Brien introduced

House bill No. 347, entitled

A bill to amend section 31 of chapter 7 of Act No. 215 of the Public Acts of 1895, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation of cities of the fourth class," being section 3053 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on City Corporations.

Mr. Koehler introduced

House bill No. 348, entitled

A bill to provide for the establishment of public closets, commonly known and designated as public convenience stations, in all incorporated villages and cities of this State, and in certain unincorporated villages therein.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Village Corporations.

Mr. Wiley introduced

House bill No. 349, entitled

A bill to amend section 29 of chapter 65 of the Revised Statutes of Michigan of 1846, entitled "Of alienation by deed, and the proof and recording of conveyances, and the cancelling of mortgages," being section 8988 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Evens introduced

House bill No. 350, entitled

A bill to amend section 4 of Act No. 143 of the Public Acts of 1903, entitled "An act to provide for the government, management and control

of the State Public School at Coldwater, and to repeal all acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act," and to add a new section to be known as section 3 of said act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Public School.

Mr. Ransom L. Ford introduced

House bill No. 351, entitled

A bill to provide for a deficiency appropriation for the Michigan School for the Deaf.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Michigan School for the Deaf.

Mr. Robertson introduced

House bill No. 352, entitled

A bill to provide for the naming and numbering of public roads and highways, and the placing of signs thereon.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Roads and Bridges.

Mr. Robertson introduced

House bill No. 353, entitled

A bill to regulate the operation and use of vehicles on the public highways; to provide penalties for not observing these regulations and to provide the means of enforcing these regulations.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Roads and Bridges.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 208 (file No. 79), entitled

A bill to provide for certain requirements in deeds and instruments affecting real estate in which there are male grantors to entitle same to record.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon

Anderson

Ashley

Averill

Biggerstaff

Chapin

Clark

Croll

Culver

Daigneau

Daprato

Edwards

Empson

Evans

Mr. Gettel

Green

Henry

Hinkley

Hoffman

Hopkins

Hulse

Jerome, J. D.

Jerome, W. F.

Jones

Keen

Kemmerling

Koehler

Kooyers

Mr. Moore

Nelson

Oakley

O'Brien

Olmsted

Ormsbee

Palmer

Penney

Person

Petermann

Place

Pray

Quintel

Read, Thos.

Mr. Sly

Smith, Newel

Smith, S. J.

Snow

Sours

Stevens

Stevenson

Sutton

Symonds

Tufts

Van Antwerp

Vine

Warner

Weissert

Mr. Ewing	Mr. Lamphere	Mr. Robertson	Mr. Wells
Follett	Leland	Rogers	Whiteley
Foote	Lewis	Root	Wiley
Ford, R. L.	McMillan	Ross	Wolcott
Ford, Sheridan	Martin	Schmidt	Woodruff
Francis	Martz	Sherman	Wright
Gayde	Matthews	Shields	Speaker

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NAYS.

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House bill No. 192 (file No. 85), entitled

A bill to amend sections 4, 14, 16, 18, 19 and 22 of an act entitled "An act to regulate the practice of pharmacy in the State of Michigan," same being Act No. 134 of the Public Acts of 1885, approved June 2, 1885, as amended by Act No. 332 of the Public Acts of 1905, approved June 20, 1905.

Was read a third time and, the question being on its passage,

Mr. Penney moved to amend the bill

1. By striking out of line 28 of section 18 the words "by any merchant."

The motion prevailed and the amendment was adopted, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor.

Mr. Penney moved to amend the bill

2. By striking out of line 33 of section 18 the words "containing less than 5 per cent alcohol."

Mr. Culver demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was seconded.

The motion made by Mr. Penney did not prevail, a majority of all the members-elect not voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Averill	Mr. Lewis	Mr. Robertson	Mr. Stevens
Evens	Martin	Schmidt	Tufts
Green	Matthews	Sly	Weissert
Hinkley	Penney	Smith, Newel	Whiteley
Hulse	Person	Smith, S. J.	Wright
Jerome, J. D.	Pray	Snow	

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NAYS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Foote	Mr. Lamphere	Mr. Rogers
Anderson	Ford, R. L.	Leland	Sours
Ashley	Ford, Sheridan	McMillan	Stevenson
Biggerstaff	Francis	Martz	Sutton
Chapin	Gayde	Moore	Symonds
Clark	Henry	Oakley	Van Antwerp
Croll	Hoffman	O'Brien	Vine
Culver	Hopkins	Olmsted	Warner
Daigneau	Jerome, W. F.	Ormsbee	Wells
Daprato	Jones	Palmer	Wiley
Edwards	Keen	Petermann	Wolcott
Empson	Kemmerling	Place	Woodruff
Ewing	Koehler	Quintel	Speaker
Follett	Kooyers	Read, Thos.	

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Mr. Evens moved to amend the bill

3. By striking out of lines 6 and 7 of section 18 the words "where there is no registered pharmacist conducting a pharmacy within five miles."

The motion did not prevail and the amendment was not adopted, a majority of all the members-elect not voting therefor.

Mr. Jerome moved to reconsider the vote whereby the following amendment was not adopted:

Amend by striking out of line 33 of section 18 the words "containing less than 5 per cent alcohol."

The motion did not prevail.

Mr. VanAntwerp moved to amend the bill

4. By striking out of line 31 of section 18 the words "sugar of lead" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "arsenite of lead."

The motion did not prevail and the amendment was not adopted, a majority of all the members-elect not voting therefor.

Mr. Samuel J. Smith moved to amend the bill

5. By striking out of line 31 of section 18 the words "if sold in original packages only."

The motion did not prevail and the amendment was not adopted, a majority of all the members-elect not voting therefor.

The bill was then not passed, a majority of all the members-elect not voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Empson	Mr. Lamphere	Mr. Petermann
Ashley	Ford, R. L.	Martin	Rogers
Averill	Henry	Martz	Sours
Clark	Hoffman	Moore	Stevenson
Croll	Hopkins	Oakley	Vine
Culver	Jerome, J. D.	Olmsted	Weissert
Daigneau	Jerome, W. F.	Palmer	Woodruff
Daprato	Jones	Person	Speaker
Edwards	Koehler		

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NAYS.

Mr. Anderson	Mr. Keen	Mr. Pray	Mr. Snow
Biggerstaff	Kemmerling	Quintel	Stevens
Chapin	Kooyers	Read, Thos.	Sutton
Evens	Leland	Robertson	Symonds
Follett	Lewis	Root	Tufts
Foote	McMillan	Ross	Van Antwerp
Ford, Sheridan	Matthews	Schmidt	Warner
Gayde	Nelson	Sherman	Wells
Gettel	O'Brien	Shields	Whiteley
Green	Ormsbee	Sly	Wiley
Hinkley	Penney	Smith, Newel	Wolcott
Hulse	Place	Smith, S. J.	Wright

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Mr. James D. Jerome moved to reconsider the vote whereby the bill failed to pass.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Van Antwerp presented

Petition No. 865.

Petition of H. Breop and 38 other citizens of Caledonia, Kent county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Henry presented

Petition No. 866.

Petition of Geo. W. Russell and 11 other citizens of Battle Creek, Calhoun county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Clarence J. Reed presented

Petition No. 867.

Petition of F. W. Finchey and 18 other citizens of Pentwater, Oceana county, requesting the passage of a bill, relative to the reading of the Holy Bible in the public schools of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Clarence J. Reed presented

Petition No. 868.

Petition of W. Rud and 97 other citizens of Three Rivers, St. Joseph county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Sherman presented

Petition No. 869.

Protest of John McAlpine and 18 other citizens of Tuscola county, against the passage of any law imposing burdensome conditions or high license for selling domestic and stock remedies, spices, extracts, etc., by retail from wagons.

The protest was referred to the Committee on Public Health.

Mr. William F. Jerome presented

Petition No. 870.

Protest of Grant Struble and 567 other citizens of Hillsdale county, against the passage of Senate bill No. 64, relative to retirement fund for teachers.

The protest was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. William F. Jerome presented

Petition No. 871.

Resolutions adopted by Hillsdale County Pomona Grange of Hillsdale county, protesting against any increase in the rate of passenger fares charged by the railroads of the State.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Wolcott presented

Petition No. 872.

Petition of M. P. Brown and 160 other citizens of Calhoun county,

requesting the passage of a bill permitting the spearing of fish through the ice during the months of December, January, February and March of each year.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Fish and Fisheries.

Mr. Matthews presented

Petition No. 873.

Petition of Jesse J. Carner and 59 other citizens of Berrien county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Place presented

Petition No. 874.

Petition of Geo. A. Nichols and 2 other citizens of St. Joseph county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Ormsbee presented

Petition No. 875.

Protest of Lester Smith and 19 other citizens of Genesee county against the passage of any law imposing burdensome conditions or high license for selling domestic and stock remedies, spices, extracts, etc., by retail from wagons.

The protest was referred to the Committee on Public Health.

Mr. Sherman presented

Petition No. 876.

Protest of Mrs. Arthur Stevenson and 36 other citizens of Tuscola county, against the passage of any law imposing burdensome conditions or high license for selling domestic and stock remedies, spices, extracts, etc., by retail from wagons.

The protest was referred to the Committee on Public Health.

Mr. Sours presented

Petition No. 877.

Petition of Burt M. Baird and 150 other students of the Traverse City High School, of Traverse City, Grand Traverse county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 48, relative to prohibiting the manufacture, sale, keeping for sale or giving away cigarettes.

The petition was referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Matthews presented

Petition No. 878.

Petition of H. C. Hessmer and 17 other citizens of Three Rivers, St. Joseph county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Oakley presented

Petition No. 879.

Petition of the Trade and Labor Council of Bay City, Bay county,

requesting the passage of House bill No. 84, providing that State institutions use Michigan bituminous coal.

The petition was referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Ransom L. Ford presented

Petition No. 880.

Petition of Homer L. Hall and 30 other citizens of Flint, Genesee county, in favor of the passage of Senate bill No. 91 (file No. 64), relative to providing for procedure in courts of chancery to enjoin and abate houses of lewdness, assignation and prostitution.

The petition was referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Penney presented

Petition No. 881.

Petition of Herbert S. Gay and 92 other citizens of Saginaw, Saginaw county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Hulse presented

Petition No. 882.

Petition of Civic League of Saginaw, Saginaw county, in favor of the passage of House bill No. 48, relative to prohibiting the manufacture, sale, keeping for sale or giving away cigarettes.

The petition was referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Place presented

Petition No. 883.

Petition of Ray E. Schneider and 48 other citizens of St. Joseph county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 65, relative to the reading of the Holy Bible in the Public Schools of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Sours presented

Petition No. 884.

Petition of J. W. Goble and 23 other members of the Oak Park Congregational Church and Sunday School and citizens of Traverse City, Grand Traverse County, in favor of the passage of Senate bill No. 65, relative to the reading of the Holy Bible in the public schools of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. William F. Jerome presented

Petition No. 885.

Petition of J. H. Russell and 930 other citizens of Wayne and Oakland counties, requesting the passage of House bill No. 117 (file No. 55), relative to providing for the taxation, licensing and regulation of the business of manufacturing, sale, etc., of spirituous and intoxicating liquors in this State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Sours presented

Petition No. 886.

Petition of Fred H. Pratt and 9 other citizens of Traverse City, Grand Traverse county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State, if needed.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Ward presented

Petition No. 887.

Protest of Charles P. Day and 61 other citizens of Saginaw county, against the passage of any law imposing burdensome conditions or high license for selling domestic and stock remedies, spices, extracts, etc., by retail from wagons.

The protest was referred to the Committee on Public Health.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY CLERK OF PRINTING OF BILLS.

The Clerk announced that the following named bills had been printed and placed upon the files of the members Tuesday, March 16:

Senate bill No. 29 (file No. 193), entitled

A bill providing that all vehicles using the public highways of the State shall carry lights at certain times.

Senate bill No. 85 (file No. 192), entitled

A bill to fix the leaves of absence and furloughs of certain officers and men in all cities of this State having full paid members of fire departments.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Insurance, by Mr. Rice, Chairman, reported
House bill No. 257, entitled

A bill to provide for the organization of mutual insurance companies to do a general automobile insurance business; to prescribe their powers and duties and to regulate the same.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Insurance, by Mr. Rice, Chairman, reported
House bill No. 342, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of part 4 of Act No. 10 of the Public Acts of the First Extra Session of 1912, entitled "An act to promote the welfare of the people of this State, relating to the liability of employers for injuries or death sustained by their employes, providing compensation for the accidental injury to or death of employes and methods for payment of the same, establishing an Industrial Accident Board, defining its powers, providing for a review of its awards, making an appropriation to carry out the provisions of this act, and restricting the right to compensation or damages in such cases to such as are provided by this act."

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Judiciary, by Mr. Flowers, Chairman, reported
House bill No. 301, entitled

A bill to license and regulate the loaning of money in cities and villages of this State in sums of three hundred dollars and less, upon chattel securities, or endorsement, or upon salaries or wage earnings, or without security, and prescribing rates of interest and charges therefor, and penalties for violations thereof, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions thereof.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on State Affairs, by Mr. James D. Jerome, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 279, entitled

A bill to provide for the preparation, transportation and care of a Michigan exhibit at the National Exhibition, to be held in connection with the half-century anniversary of negro freedom in the city of Chicago in August and September, 1915; to create a commission to manage the said exhibit, and to make an appropriation therefor.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The Committee on State Affairs, by Mr. James D. Jerome, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 307, entitled

A bill to amend the title and section 1 of Act No. 354 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act relative to the use, sale, trading and disposition of horses and mules, permanently unfit for work, and to provide a penalty for the violation thereof," approved May 13, 1913.

With the following amendment thereto, recommending that the amendment be concurred in and that when so amended the bill pass:

Amend by inserting in line 2 of enacting section 1 after the figures "1913" the following "entitled 'An act relative to the use, sale or disposition of horses and mules permanently unfit for work and to provide a penalty for the violation thereof,' are hereby amended to read as follows:"

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the amendment to the bill recommended by the committee,

The amendment was adopted.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Private Corporations, by Mr. Foote, Chairman, reported

Senate bill No. 2 (file No. 2), entitled

A bill to prevent fraud in the sale and disposition of stocks, bonds or other securities sold or offered for sale within the State of Michigan by any dealer, firm, company, association or corporation, foreign or domestic, by requiring an inspection of such stocks, bonds, or other securities and an inspection of the business of such persons, firms, companies, associations or corporations, including dealers and agents, and such regulation and supervision of the business of said persons, firms, companies, associations, or corporations, including dealers and agents, as may be necessary to prevent fraud in the sale within the State, of any stocks, bonds or other securities, and to provide a penalty for the violation thereof and to repeal Act No. 143 of the Public Acts of 1913, approved May 2, 1913, and all other acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The Committee on Game Laws, by Mr. Kemmerling, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 182, entitled

A bill to provide for the protection from disturbance of foxes and other fur-bearing animals kept in captivity for breeding purposes and prescribing penalties for violations.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Public Health, by Mr. Newel Smith, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 250, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1 and 3 of Act 137 of the Public Acts of 1883, entitled "An act to specify certain duties of health officers and to provide for compensation therefor, in townships, cities and villages where a health officer is not otherwise instructed by the local board of health," the same being sections 4460 and 4462 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

With the following amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in and that when so amended the bill pass:

1. Amend by inserting in line 36 of section 1 after the word "jails" the words "railroad stations."

2. Amend by inserting in line 4 of section 3 after the word "three" the word "dollars."

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the amendments to the bill recommended by the committee,

The amendments were adopted.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on State Affairs, by Mr. James D. Jerome, Chairman, reported

Senate bill No. 42 (file No. 35), entitled

A bill to prohibit the selling, giving, or furnishing of cigarettes to minors, to prohibit the use of cigarettes by minors, and prohibiting the harboring of minors for the purpose of indulging in the use of cigarettes.

With the following amendment thereto, recommending that the amendment be concurred in and that when so amended the bill pass:

1. Amend by striking out of line 1 of section 3 the word "knowingly" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "wilfully."

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the amendment to the bill recommended by the committee,

The amendment was adopted.

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Education, by Mr. Symonds, Chairman, reported Senate bill No. 67 (file No. 155), entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of Act No. 112 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to authorize the county commissioner of schools in each county to call a meeting of the school officers of the county."

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Education, by Mr. Symonds, Chairman, reported Senate bill No. 23 (file No. 154), entitled

A bill to repeal Act No. 181 of the Public Acts of 1897, being compiler's section No. 4791 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, entitled "An act to prescribe and define a course of studies to be taught in the district schools of this State which shall be known as the agricultural college course."

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Agriculture, by Mr. Schmidt, Chairman, reported Senate bill No. 170 (file No. 120), entitled

A bill to amend sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 of Act No. 256 of the Public Acts of 1911, entitled "An act to encourage the breeding of horses, to regulate the public service of stallions, to request the registration of stallions and to provide for the enforcement thereof," and to add a new section thereto to stand as section 9, and to repeal Act No. 28 of the Public Acts of 1887, Act No. 166 of the Public Acts of 1905 and Act No. 145 of the Public Acts of 1907, and all acts amendatory thereto.

With the following amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in and that when so amended the bill pass:

1. Amend by adding after the word "jack" in line 6 of section 1 the words "The word mare whenever used in this act shall be construed to include 'jenny.'"

2. Amend by adding after the word "board" in line 9 of section 5 the words "Provided, That this act shall not apply to grade stallions standing at owner's own residence and not advertised for service."

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the amendments to the bill recommended by the committee,

The amendments were adopted.

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Fish and Fisheries, by Mr. McMillan, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 315, entitled

A bill to provide for the protection of all species of edible frogs in this State; to regulate the sale, and having in possession of frogs or portion of the carcass thereof, and providing penalties for the violation of this act.

With the following amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in and that when so amended the bill pass:

1. Amend by striking out of line 1 of section 2 the words "or persons" and the word "their," and inserting in lieu of the word "their" the word "his."

2. Amend by striking out of line 9 of section 3 the words "from without the State."

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the amendments to the bill recommended by the committee,

The amendments were adopted.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Fish and Fisheries, by Mr. McMillan, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 270, entitled

A bill to repeal Act No. 316 of the Public Acts of 1905, entitled "An act for the protection of fish in the streams known as Grass river and Intermediate river, in Antrim county."

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Ways and Means, by Mr. Hinkley, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 36, entitled

A bill to make an appropriation for the Michigan State Prison at Jackson, Michigan, for general repairs and special purposes for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

With the following amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in and that when so amended the bill pass:

1. Amend by striking out of lines 1, 2, 3 and 4 of section 2 the words

"The sum of ten thousand dollars is appropriated for the Michigan State Prison, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1917, for the purchasing and installing of a gas-producer, gas engine and electric generator."

2. Amend by striking out of line 5 of section 2 the words "by this section as well as the various amounts appropriated."

3. Amend by striking out of lines 4 and 5 of section 3 the words "and in the State tax for the year 1916, the sum of ten thousand dollars."

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the amendments to the bill recommended by the committee,

The amendments were adopted.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Railroads, by Mr. Henry, Chairman, reported
House bill No. 150, entitled

A bill to amend section 9 of Act No. 198 of the Laws of 1873, entitled "An act to revise the laws providing for the incorporation of the railroad, bridge and tunnel companies, and to regulate the running and management, and to fix the duties and liabilities of all railroad, bridge, tunnel and other corporations owning or operating any railroad, bridge, or tunnel within this State," as amended, said section being compiler's section 6234 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Horticulture, by Mr. Daigneau, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 79, entitled

A bill to prohibit the hunting of rabbits with ferrets and guinea pigs; exempting from its provisions farmers and fruit growers hunting on their own lands, and those townships wherein electors so decide by referendum; prescribing penalty for violation; and repealing Act No. 180 of the Public Acts of 1911, entitled "An act to prohibit the hunting of rabbits with ferrets or guinea pigs," and all other acts or parts of acts in contravention therewith.

With the following amendment thereto, recommending that the amendment be concurred in and that when so amended the bill pass:

1. Amend by striking out section 2 and inserting in lieu thereof the following, to stand as section 2:

"Section 2. It shall be unlawful to make use of a ferret or guinea pig for the purpose of hunting, taking, killing or pursuing rabbits in any township in this State, wherein a majority of the electors voting at any regular or special election duly called shall so express themselves by ballot, upon the operation or non-operation of this section of this act within their township when properly submitted, to such electors in accordance with the following procedure. Upon the filing of the township clerk, of a petition signed by not less than twenty duly and legal-

ly qualified electors of such township praying therein for the submission of this question to the electors of their township; the township board shall thereupon meet and order the submission of the question to the electors of the township at the next regular election, which supplies ample time for proper notices and printing of ballots, or at a special election to be called for that purpose in the discretion of the township board. Notices of such submission, the posting thereof, publication thereof, and contents thereof to be governed by the general laws pertaining to regular township elections; votes on the question of the adoption of the provisions of this act shall be taken, counted and canvassed in the same manner as votes cast for candidates voted for in said regular township elections."

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the amendment to the bill recommended by the committee,

The amendment was adopted.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Horticulture, by Mr. Daigneau, Chairman, reported Senate bill No. 104 (file No. 76), entitled

A bill to regulate the planting of nut-bearing or fruit trees along the highways of the State of Michigan, for the maintenance, protection and care thereof, and to provide a penalty for injury to said trees and for stealing the products thereof.

With the following amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in and that when so amended the bill pass:

1. Amend by striking out of line 3 of section 1 the word "or fruit."
2. Amend by striking out of line 4 of section 2 the words "or fruit."
3. Amend by striking out of line 2 of section 3 the words "or fruit."

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the amendments to the bill recommended by the committee,

The amendments were adopted.

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting Senate bill No. 123 (file No. 85), entitled

A bill to provide for the appointment of a collection and deportation agent in connection with the State hospitals of Michigan.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Public Health.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting Senate bill No. 122 (file No. 84), entitled

A bill to amend sections 7, 14, 16, 27 and 32 of Act 217 of the Public

Acts of 1903, entitled "An act to revise and consolidate the laws organizing asylums for the insane and to regulate the care, management and use thereof and to provide for the apprehension of persons believed to be insane and for their care and custody," as amended by Act 335 of the Public Acts of 1907, Act 155 of the Public Acts of 1911, and Act No. 80 of the Public Acts of 1913.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Public Health.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting Senate bill No. 72 (file No. 167), entitled

A bill to amend the title and sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 7 of Act 244 of the Public Acts of the State of Michigan for the year 1907, entitled "An act to protect the title and to regulate the practice of veterinary medicine and surgery in all its various branches in the State of Michigan; providing for a State Veterinary Board and prescribing its duties; regulating existing practitioners; governing undergraduates and reciprocity with other states and provinces; prescribing penalties for its violation and repealing all inconsistent acts," and to add a new section thereto to stand as section 15 of said act.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting Senate bill No. 79 (file No. 166), entitled

A bill to repeal Act No. 69 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act providing for State inspection of sugar beet testing, weighing and taring, the appointment of inspectors, and the payment for their services," approved April 16, 1913, and to provide for the disposal of moneys accrued under said act, and remaining in the State treasury.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting Senate bill No. 220 (file No. 169), entitled

A bill to regulate the establishment of cemeteries and to define the duties of local boards of health and of the State Board of Health in relation thereto.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Public Health.

Mr. Watkins entered the House and took his seat.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Culver introduced

House bill No. 354, entitled

A bill to amend sections 9, 10 and 11 of Act No. 285 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to provide for the creation of a Department of Labor, to prescribe its powers and duties; to regulate the employment of labor; to make an appropriation for the maintenance of such department, and to prescribe penalties for the violation of this act," as last amended by Act No. 220 of the Public Acts of 1911.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Labor.

Mr. Keen introduced

House bill No. 355, entitled

A bill abolishing the offices of circuit court commissioner and coroner in certain cases, and transferring the duties of said offices to the justice of the peace, elected in and residing at county seats, and repealing all acts or parts of acts in conflict herewith.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Flowers introduced

House bill No. 356, entitled

A bill to amend section 31 of Act 187 of the Public Acts of 1887, entitled "An act to revise the laws providing for the incorporation of co-operative and mutual benefit associations, and to define the powers and duties and regulate the transaction of the business of all such corporations and associations doing business within this State," as amended by Act 58 of the Public Acts of 1895, said section being section 7526 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, to provide that corporations or associations authorized under said act may furnish to their members indemnity against unemployment.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. Shields introduced

House bill No. 357, entitled

A bill to amend sections 15 and 18 of Act No. 275 of the Public Acts of 1911, entitled "An act to provide for the protection of game and birds, to regulate the taking, possession, use and transportation of the same, to prohibit the sale thereof, to regulate the manner of hunting, pursuing and killing game or birds, to provide a penalty for the violation of any of the provisions of this act, and to repeal inconsistent acts and parts of acts," as last amended by Act No. 167 of the Public Acts of 1913.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Stevenson introduced

House bill No. 358, entitled

A bill to provide for an angler's license to take or catch or attempt

to take or catch fish with a hook and line in the lakes and streams within the jurisdiction of the State of Michigan, to provide that non-resident licensees may take from the State a day's legal catch, to provide for the sale and issuing of licenses, to provide a penalty for the violation of any of the provisions of this act, and to authorize and regulate the disbursement of fees collected thereunder, and to repeal Act 329 of the Public Acts of 1913.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Fish and Fisheries.

Mr. Whiteley (by request of Mr. Cowan) introduced
House bill No. 359, entitled

A bill to amend section 4 of Act 172 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act authorizing the acceptance by the State of a certain tract of land in Crawford county on certain conditions, providing for its control and management when so accepted, and making an appropriation for the purpose of making improvements thereon," approved May 2, 1913, and to further amend said act by adding thereto a new section to stand as section 4-a.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. Rogers introduced

House joint resolution No. 20, entitled

Joint resolution proposing an amendment to section 1 of article VI of the Constitution, relative to the election and term of office of certain State officers.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Revision and Amendment to the Constitution.

Mr. Rogers introduced

House joint resolution No. 21, entitled

Joint resolution proposing an amendment to section 3 of article XI, of the Constitution, relative to the election of members of the Board of Regents of the University.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Revision and Amendment to the Constitution.

Mr. Rogers introduced

House joint resolution No. 22, entitled

Joint resolution proposing an amendment to section 3 of article VIII of the Constitution, relative to the election and term of office of certain county officers.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Revision and Amendment to the Constitution.

Mr. Rogers introduced

House joint resolution No. 23, entitled

Joint resolution proposing an amendment to section 3 of article V of the Constitution, relative to the election and term of office of State Representatives.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Revision and Amendment to the Constitution.

Mr. Rogers introduced
House joint resolution No. 24, entitled
Joint resolution proposing an amendment to section 2 of article XI of the Constitution, relative to the election and term of office of a Superintendent of Public Instruction.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Revision and Amendment to the Constitution.

Mr. Rogers introduced
House joint resolution No. 25, entitled
Joint resolution proposing an amendment to section 2 of article V of the Constitution, relative to the election and term of office of State Senators.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Revision and Amendment to the Constitution.

Mr. Rogers introduced
House joint resolution No. 26, entitled
Joint resolution proposing an amendment to section 7 of article XI of the Constitution, relative to the election and term of office of members of the State Board of Agriculture.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Revision and Amendment to the Constitution.

Mr. Rogers introduced
House joint resolution No. 27, entitled
Joint resolution proposing an amendment to section 6 of article XI of the Constitution, relative to the election and term of office of members of the State Board of Education.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Revision and Amendment to the Constitution.

Mr. Rogers introduced
House joint resolution No. 28, entitled
Joint resolution proposing an amendment to section 2 of article VII of the Constitution, relative to the election of Justices of the Supreme Court.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Revision and Amendment to the Constitution.

Mr. Rogers introduced
House joint resolution No. 29, entitled
Joint resolution proposing an amendment to section 9 of article VII of the Constitution, relative to the election and term of office of Circuit Judges.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Revision and Amendment to the Constitution.

Mr. Rogers introduced

House joint resolution No. 30, entitled

Joint resolution proposing an amendment to section 12 of article V of the Constitution relative to the election of Senators and Representatives.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Revision and Amendment to the Constitution.

Mr. Schmidt introduced

House joint resolution No. 31, entitled

Joint resolution proposing an amendment to section 18 of article VIII of the Constitution, to provide for the biennial election of township officers.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Revision and Amendment to the Constitution.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 181 (file No. 72), entitled

A bill to prevent the running at large of domestic animals or fowl upon grounds of rural cemeteries, and providing a penalty for the violation of this act.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Ashley	Mr. Henry	Mr. Ormsbee	Mr. Sours
Biggerstaff	Hinkley	Penney	Stevens
Clark	Hoffman	Person	Stevenson
Croll	Hulse	Petermann	Sutton
Culver	Jerome, J. D.	Place	Symonds
Daigneau	Jones	Pray	Tufts
Daprato	Keen	Read, Thos.	Van Antwerp
Edwards	Kemmerling	Reed, C. J.	Ward
Empson	Kooyers	Rice	Watkins
Ewing	Lamphere	Robertson	Weissert
Flowers	Leland	Rogers	Wells
Follett	Martz	Root	Whiteley
Foote	Matthews	Schmidt	Wieland
Ford, R. L.	Moore	Sherman	Wolcott
Francis	Nank	Shields	Woodruff
Gayde	Oakley	Smith, Newel	Wright
Green	O'Brien	Snow	Speaker
Griggs			

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Mr. Amon	Mr. Hopkins	Mr. Nelson	Mr. Sly
Anderson	Jerome, Wm. F.	Olmsted	Smith, S. J.
Chapin	Koehler	Palmer	Vine
Evens	Lewis	Quintel	Warner
Ford, Sheridan	McMillan	Ross	Wiley
Gettel	Martin		

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The question being on agreeing to the title of the bill,

Mr. Wolcott moved to amend the title so as to read as follows:

A bill to prevent the running at large of domestic animals or fowl upon grounds of cemeteries, and providing a penalty for the violation of this act.

The motion prevailed.

The House agreed to the title of the bill as amended.

House bill No. 258 (file No. 76), entitled

A bill to establish the validity and to provide for the administration and control of gifts, grants, devises and bequests in trust for religious, educational, charitable or benevolent purposes, and to establish and confirm the jurisdiction of probate court over such trusts.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Haviland	Mr. Oakley	Mr. Smith, S. J.
Anderson	Henry	O'Brien	Snow
Ashley	Hinkley	Olmsted	Sours
Biggerstaff	Hoffman	Ormsbee	Stevens
Chapin	Hopkins	Palmer	Stevenson
Clark	Hulse	Penney	Sutton
Croll	Jerome, J. D.	Person	Symonds
Culver	Jerome, W. F.	Petermann	Tufts
Daigneau	Jones	Place	Van Antwerp
Daprato	Keen	Quintel	Vine
Edwards	Kemmerling	Read, Thos.	Ward
Empson	Koehler	Reed, C. J.	Warner
Evens	Kooyers	Rice	Watkins
Ewing	Lamphere	Robertson	Weissert
Flowers	Leland	Root	Wells
Ford, R. L.	Lewis	Ross	Wieland
Ford, Sheridan	McMillan	Schmidt	Wiley
Francis	Martin	Sherman	Wolcott
Gayde	Martz	Shields	Woodruff
Gettel	Matthews	Sly	Wright
Green	Moore	Smith, Newel	Speaker
Griggs	Nank		

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Nelson offered the following resolution:

House resolution No. 40.

Whereas, The Angel Death has visited the family of our esteemed fellow member and colleague, the Hon. Alexander Cowan and summoned and removed therefrom his dearly beloved father; and

Whereas, It is meet that Legislative expression be made of the sympathy of this House for our brother member in this, his sad affliction; therefore be it

Resolved, That the House of Representatives, reverently sensible of the sorrow visited upon the family of our esteemed associate, extend to the Hon. Alexander Cowan and family its heartfelt sympathy; and be it further

Resolved, That this resolution be spread upon the Journal of this House, and that the Clerk transmit to the Hon. Alexander Cowan and family an engrossed copy thereof.

The resolution was unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

Mr. Averill entered the House and took his seat.

Mr. Hoffman moved that

House bill No. 189 (file No. 54), entitled

A bill to amend sections 1, 3, 16, 20, 25, 28 and 38 and to repeal sections 18, 21, 42 and all other sections and parts of sections conflicting with the provisions of this act, of Act No. 281 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act relative to the nomination of party candidates for public office and delegates to political conventions; to regulate primary elections and to prescribe penalties for violations of its provisions; and to provide for the printing upon election ballots of the names of candidates nominated under the terms of this act; and to repeal Act No. 4 of the Public Acts of the Extra Session of the year 1907, and all local primary election acts contravening the provisions of this act, except as in this act otherwise provided," approved June 2, 1909, as amended by Act No. 279 of the Public Acts of 1911, and as further amended by Act No. 118 of the Public Acts of 1913.

Now on the order of General Orders, be made a Special Order, for consideration on Thursday, March 18, at 2:30 o'clock p. m.

The motion did not prevail, two-thirds of all the members present not voting therefor.

Mr. Martin made written request for the printing of

House bill No. 328, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1 and 9 of chapter 138 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, entitled "An act to provide for the taxation and regulation of the business of manufacturing, selling, keeping for sale, furnishing, giving or delivering spirituous and intoxicating liquors, and malt, brewed, or fermented liquors and vinous liquors in this State, and to repeal all acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act," as amended, being compiler's sections 5379 and 5387 of the Compiled Laws of 1897."

The request was referred to the Committee on Printing.

Mr. Daigneau made written request for the printing of

House bill No. 213, entitled

A bill to authorize the formation of corporations for the purpose of controlling and utilizing flood waters under the direction of the Railroad Commission.

The request was referred to the Committee on Printing.

GENERAL ORDERS OF THE DAY.

Mr. Hinkley moved that the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole on the general orders.

The motion prevailed.

The Speaker called Mr. Hinkley to the chair.

After a time spent in the consideration of bills upon the general orders, the committee rose, and, through its chairman, made a report recommending the passage, without amendment, of the following entitled bills:

House bill No. 187 (file No. 86), entitled

A bill to amend section 3 of chapter 16 of the Revised Statutes of 1846, entitled "Of the powers and duties of townships and election and duties of township officers," the same being compiler's section 2269 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by Act No. 62 of the Public Acts of 1909.

House bill No. 24 (file No. 10), entitled

A bill to amend sections 10, 11, 12, 13 and 16 of chapter 81 of the Revised Statutes of 1846, entitled "Fraudulent conveyances and contracts relative to personal property," being sections 9523, 9524, 9525, 9526 and 9529 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, said section 9523 being last amended by Act No. 332 of the Public Acts of 1907.

House bill No. 231 (file No. 78), entitled

A bill to repeal Act No. 186 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to provide and establish a court of domestic relations in each county of this State, which has a population of upwards of two hundred fifty thousand, to define its jurisdiction and for the purpose of this act to provide for additional circuit judges in such counties," approved May 6, 1913.

Senate bill No. 127 (file No. 87), entitled

A bill to amend section 15 of Act No. 388 of the Local Acts of 1889, entitled "An act supplemental to the charter of the city of Detroit, and relating to parks, boulevards and other public grounds in said city," and of repeal Act No. 374 of the Local Acts of 1879, entitled "An act to provide for the establishment and maintenance of a broad street or boulevard about the limits of the city of Detroit and through portions of the townships of Hamtramck, Greenfield and Springwells, in the county of Wayne." approved May 21, 1879, as amended.

Senate bill No. 61 (file No. 113), entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of Act No. 44 of the Public Acts of 1899, approved April 18, 1899, entitled "An act to provide for the publication and distribution of laws and documents, reports of the several officers, boards of officers and public institutions of this State, now or hereafter to be published, and to provide for the replacing of books lost by fire or otherwise, and to provide for the publication and distribution of the official directory and legislative manual of the State of Michigan, and to repeal Act No. 122 of the Session Laws of 1889, approved May 31, 1889, Act No. 20 of the Session Laws of 1889, approved March 19, 1889, and all other laws or parts of laws contravening or incon-

sistent with this act," as amended by Act No. 240 of the Public Acts of 1911.

Senate bill No. 133 (file No. 144), entitled

A bill to amend section 4 of Act No. 81 of the Public Acts of 1873, entitled "An act to establish a State Board of Health, to provide for the appointment of a superintendent of vital statistics, and to assign certain duties to local boards of health," as amended by Act No. 18 of the Public Acts of 1905, being section 4400 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

House bill No. 191 (file No. 89), entitled

A bill to amend section 7 of chapter 1 of Act No. 283 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to revise, consolidate and add to the laws relating to the establishment, opening, improvement, maintenance and use of the public highways and private roads; the condemnation of property and gravel therefor; the building, repairing and preservation of bridges; setting and protecting shade trees; drainage; cutting weeds and brush within the State, and providing for the election and defining the powers, duties and compensation of State, county, township and district highway officials."

House bill No. 303 (file No. 90), entitled

A bill to amend section 29 of chapter 145 of the Revised Statutes of 1846 relative to the powers, duties and obligations of assignees of insolvent debtors, as amended by Act 161 of the Public Acts of 1869, the same being section 9673 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

House bill No. 45 (file No. 92), entitled

A bill to provide for the examination, registration, regulation and licensing of chiropodists, and for the punishment of offenders against this act, and to repeal acts or parts of acts in conflict therewith.

House bill No. 255 (file No. 97), entitled

A bill to amend section 25 of Act No. 206 of the Public Acts of 1893, entitled "An act to provide for the assessment of property and the levy and collection of taxes thereon; and for the collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied; making such taxes a lien on the lands taxed; establishing and continuing such lien; providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes; and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the State and not redeemed or purchased; and to repeal Act No. 200 of the Public Acts of 1891, and all other acts and parts of acts in anywise contravening any of the provisions of this act," being section 3848 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

House bill No. 186 (file No. 99), entitled

A bill to compel common carriers to furnish wholesome water supply, watering troughs and overhead shelter at stock yards, cattle pens, and other enclosures maintained by such common carriers for the use of its patrons and shippers, and to provide a penalty for failure to comply with the terms of this act.

House bill No. 126 (file No. 100), entitled

A bill to amend section 3 of Act No. 193 of the Public Acts of 1895, as amended by Act No. 118 of the Public Acts of 1897, same being compiler's section 5112 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by Act No. 162 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to prohibit and prevent adulteration, fraud and deception in the manufacture and sale of articles of food and drink."

House bill No. 197 (file No. 103), entitled

A bill to amend section 7 of Act 242 of the Public Acts of 1863, entitled "An act for the incorporation of hospitals or asylums in cases where valuable grants or emoluments have been made to trustees for such purposes," approved March 20, 1863, and being section 8294 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

House bill No. 202 (file No. 104), entitled

A bill to provide for the employment of interpreters in criminal cases and to regulate the compensation thereof.

House bill No. 156 (file No. 107), entitled

A bill to amend section 15 of Act No. 207 of the Public Acts of 1889, entitled "An act to prohibit the manufacture, sale, keeping for sale, giving away or furnishing of vinous, malt, brewed, fermented, spirituous or intoxicating liquors, or any mixed liquors or beverages, any part of which is intoxicating and to prohibit the keeping of any saloon or other place for the manufacture, sale, storing for sale, giving away or furnishing of such liquors or beverages, and to suspend the general laws of the State relative to the taxation and regulation of the manufacture and sale of such liquors in the several counties of this State under certain circumstances; to authorize the qualified electors of the several counties in this State to express their will in regard to such prohibition by an election, and to authorize and empower the board of supervisors of the several counties, after such election, if they shall determine the result to be in favor of such prohibition, to prohibit the manufacture, sale, keeping for sale, giving away or furnishing of the same within their respective counties; and to provide for penalties and rights of action in case of its violation," the same being section 5426 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as last amended by Act No. 170 of the Public Acts of 1903.

House bill No. 293 (file No. 114), entitled

A bill to amend section 3 of chapter 35 of the Revised Statutes of 1846, relative to the preservation of the public health, quarantine, nuisances and offenses of trade, amended by Act No. 70 of the Session Laws of 1893, the same being section 4412 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

House bill No. 294 (file No. 115), entitled

A bill to amend section 44 of chapter 35 of the Revised Statutes of 1846, relative to the preservation of the public health, quarantine, nuisances and offensive trades, as amended by Act 158 of the Public Acts of 1895, the same being section 4453 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

The bills were placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

The Committee of the Whole reported

House bill No. 259 (file No. 82), entitled

A bill to amend section 15 of chapter 2; sections 6, 7, 10, 18, 20 and 21 of chapter 4; sections 3, 9, 10, 11 and 12 of chapter 5; section 13 of chapter 8; sections 2 and 3 of chapter 15 of Act No. 283 of the Public Acts of 1909 as amended, entitled "An act to revise, consolidate and add to the laws relating to the establishment, opening, improvement, maintenance and use of the public highways and private roads; the condemnation of property and gravel therefor; the building, repairing and preservation of bridges; setting and protecting shade trees; drainage; cutting weeds and brush within this State, and providing for the election and defining the powers, duties and compensation of State, county, township and district highway officials."

Recommending the adoption of the following amendments thereto, and the passage of the bill when so amended:

1. Amend by inserting in line 19, of section 15, of chapter II, after the word "clerk" the words "and copies thereof shall be filed with the township treasurer."

2. Amend by striking out of line 24, of section 6, of chapter IV, the words "more than."

3. Amend by inserting in line 25, of section 6, of chapter IV, after the word "townships" the words "or more."

4. Amend by striking out of line 11, of section 12, of chapter V, the word "in."

5. Amend by inserting in line 3, of section 13, of chapter VIII, after the word "course" the words "or railroad right of way."

The question being on the adoption of the proposed amendments made by the committee,

The amendments were adopted and the bill was placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

The Committee of the Whole reported

House bill No. 207 (file No. 84), entitled

A bill to regulate the sale, disposition, distribution and possession of certain habit-forming drugs.

Recommending the adoption of the following amendment thereto, and the passage of the bill when so amended:

1. Amend by inserting in line 2 of section 5 after the words "inspection of" the words "the prosecuting attorney and sheriff of the county, their deputies or assistants, or."

The question being on the adoption of the proposed amendment made by the committee,

The amendment was adopted and the bill was placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

The Committee of the Whole reported

House bill No. 304 (file No. 96), entitled

A bill to provide for the furnishing, at public expense, suitable markers for the graves of honorably discharged soldiers, sailors and marines who served in the army of the United States, to provide for the marking and designation of such graves for memorial purposes, to provide a penalty for the removal or destruction of such markers or designs when placed, and to repeal Act No. 136 of the Public Acts of 1907.

Recommending the adoption of the following amendments thereto, and the passage of the bill when so amended:

1. Amend by striking out of lines 3 and 4 of section 1 the words "village or township, procure for and furnish to said petitioners."

2. Amend by inserting in line 3 of section 3 after the word "the" the words "Grand Army Posts or."

3. Amend by inserting in line 2 of section 3 after the word "design" the words "or memorial flag."

4. Amend by inserting in line 3 of section 2 after the word "have" the word "not."

5. Amend by adding a new section to stand as section 4, and to read

as follows: "Sec. 4. Act No. 136 of the Public Acts of 1907 is hereby repealed."

The question being on the adoption of the proposed amendments made by the committee,

The amendments were adopted and the bill was placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

The Committee of the Whole reported

House bill No. 317 (file No. 105), entitled

A bill to bar debts and obligations against unprobated estates of deceased persons, after the lapse of a certain length of time in certain cases, and to repeal all acts or parts of acts in conflict with the provisions of this act.

Recommending the adoption of the following amendment thereto, and the passage of the bill when so amended:

Amend by inserting in line 3 of section 1 after the word "or" the word "for."

The question being on the adoption of the proposed amendment made by the committee,

The amendment was adopted and the bill was placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

The Committee of the Whole reported

House bill No. 206 (file No. 106), entitled

A bill to amend section 3 of Act No. 381 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to regulate the sale, consignment, shipment, transportation and delivery to and purchase, acceptance, receipt and possession by any person, firm or corporation of any vinous, malt, brewed, fermented, spirituous, or intoxicating liquor when such person, firm or corporation resides in territory where the manufacture and sale of such liquors for beverage purposes is prohibited; to prohibit the same in certain cases; to prescribe means for the enforcement of the provisions of this act; and to repeal all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act."

Recommending the adoption of the following amendments thereto, and the passage of the bill when so amended:

1. Amend by inserting after the word "his" the words "or her"; after the word "he" the words "or she; after the word "him" the words "or her"; after the word "himself" the words "or herself," wherever the said words appear in the body of the bill.

2. Amend by inserting in line 33 of section 3, before the blank line, the words "State of Michigan, county of _____, ss."

3. Amend by inserting in line 46 of section 3 after the words "notary public" the words "or justice of the peace."

The question being on the adoption of the proposed amendments made by the committee,

The amendments were adopted and the bill was placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

The Committee of the Whole reported

House bill No. 189 (file No. 54), entitled

A bill to amend sections 1, 3, 16, 20, 25, 28 and 38 and to repeal sections 18, 21, 42 and all other sections and parts of sections conflicting

with the provisions of this act, of Act No. 281 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act relative to the nomination of party candidates for public office and delegates to political conventions; to regulate primary elections and to prescribe penalties for violations of its provisions; and to provide for the printing upon election ballots of the names of candidates nominated under the terms of this act; and to repeal Act No. 4 of the Public Acts of the Extra Session of the year 1907, and all local primary election acts contravening the provisions of this act, except as in this act otherwise provided," approved June 2, 1909, as amended by Act No. 279 of the Public Acts of 1911, and as further amended by Act No. 118 of the Public Acts of 1913.

Recommending that the bill be re-referred to the Committee on Elections.

The question being on the recommendation made by the committee, Mr. Hoffman demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was seconded.

The recommendation was concurred in, a majority of all the members present voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Anderson	Mr. Griggs	Mr. Ormsbee	Mr. Sly
Averill	Haviland	Penney	Smith, Newel
Chapin	Henry	Person	Smith, S. J.
Croll	Hinkley	Petermann	Stevens
Culver	Hulse	Place	Stevenson
Daigneau	Jerome, J. D.	Pray	Symonds
Daprato	Jerome, W. F.	Quintel	Tufts
Edwards	Jones	Read, Thos.	Van Antwerp
Empson	Kemmerling	Reed, C. J.	Vine
Evens	Koehler	Rice	Ward
Ewing	Kooyers	Robertson	Weissert
Flowers	Lamphere	Rogers	Whiteley
Follett	Leland	Root	Wieland
Foote	McMillan	Ross	Wiley
Ford, R. L.	Matthews	Schmidt	Wolcott
Gayde	Nank	Sherman	Woodruff
Gettel	O'Brien	Shields	Speaker
Green	Olmsted		

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NAYS.

Mr. Ashley	Mr. Lewis	Mr. Sours	Mr. Watkins
Clark	Martin	Warner	Wells
Hoffman	Moore		

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Pending the announcement of the vote upon the bill, Mr. Croll demanded the vote of Mr. Jones. Mr. Jones voted yea and was so recorded.

The Committee of the Whole reported

House bill No. 219 (file No. 98), entitled

A bill to amend section 141 of Act 206 of the Public Acts of 1893, entitled "An act to provide for the assessment of property and the levy and collection of taxes thereon, and for the collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied; making such taxes a lien on the lands taxed; establishing and continuing such lien; providing for the sale and con-

veyance of lands delinquent for taxes, and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the State and not redeemed or purchased; and to repeal Act No. 200 of the Public Acts of 1891, and all other acts and parts of acts in anywise contravening any of the provisions of this act," being section 3960 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as last amended by Act No. 270 of the Public Acts of 1909.

Recommending that the bill be re-referred to the Committee on General Taxation.

The recommendation was concurred in, and the bill was so referred.

The Committee of the Whole reported

House bill No. 309 (file No. 101), entitled

A bill to provide for the licensing of adjusters of companies carrying workmen's compensation insurance and the suspension and revocation of such licenses.

Recommending that the bill be re-referred to the Committee on Labor.

The recommendation was concurred in, and the bill was so referred.

By unanimous consent.

Mr. Evens made written request for the printing of

House bill No. 329, entitled

A bill to amend Act No. 206 of the Public Acts of 1893, as amended, entitled "An act to provide for the assessment of property and the levy and collection of taxes thereon, and for the collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied; making such taxes a lien on the lands taxed, establishing and continuing such lien, providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes, and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the State and not redeemed or purchased; and to repeal Act No. 200 of the Public Acts of 1891, and all other acts and parts of acts in anywise contravening any of the provisions of this act," by adding a new section thereto to be known as section 25a, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the terms of this act.

The request was referred to the Committee on Printing.

Mr. Newel Smith moved that the House adjourn.

The motion prevailed, the time being 5:35 o'clock p. m.

The Speaker declared the House adjourned until tomorrow at 2:00 o'clock p. m.

CHARLES S. PIERCE,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.

FORTY-SEVENTH DAY.

Lansing, Wednesday, March 17.

2:00 o'clock p. m.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

Religious exercises were conducted by Rev. C. E. Mieras, religious educational director of the Baptist churches, of Lansing.

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk, who announced that a quorum was present.

Mr. Miller was absent without leave.

Mr. Amon moved that an indefinite leave of absence be granted to Mr. Miller.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Quintel asked and obtained a leave of absence for the balance of the week after today's session.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

Mr. Stevens presented

Petition No. 888.

Petition of J. K. Maystead and 7,000 other citizens of the State, requesting the passage of a bill, prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors within a radius of five miles of certain educational institutions of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Place presented

Petition No. 889.

Petition of John Brown and 33 other members of Florence Mission

Sunday School, of Florence township, St. Joseph county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 65, relative to the reading of the Holy Bible in the public schools of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Sutton presented

Petition No. 890.

Petition of A. LaBelle and 1 other citizen of Lakeland, Livingston county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Matthews presented

Petition No. 891.

Petition of Clayton Link and 38 other citizens of Berrien county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Thomas Read presented

Petition No. 892.

Resolutions adopted by the Pentwater Home Economics Club of Pentwater, Oceana county, favoring the construction of a fireproof addition to, or separate building from, the present Capitol Building.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on State Capitol and Public Buildings.

Mr. Daigneau presented

Petition No. 893.

Petition of G. W. Griffin and 25 other citizens of South Haven, Van Buren county, in favor of House bill No. 79, relative to prohibiting the hunting of rabbits with ferrets and guinea pigs.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Horticulture.

Mr. Daigneau presented

Petition No. 894.

Petition of Jas. Nichol and 38 other citizens of South Haven, Van Buren county, in favor of House bill No. 126, relative to prohibiting and preventing adulteration, fraud and deception in the manufacture and sale of articles of food and drink.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Horticulture.

Mr. Miller presented

Petition No. 895.

Petition of R. O. Baker and 37 other citizens of Douglas township, Montcalm county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 65, relative to the reading of the Holy Bible in the public schools of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Newel Smith presented

Petition No. 896.

Protest of Wm. Wyman and 45 other citizens of Gratiot and Clinton

counties, against the passage of any law imposing burdensome conditions or high license for selling domestic and stock remedies, spices, extracts, etc., by retail from wagons.

The protest was referred to the Committee on Public Health.

Mr. Newel Smith presented

Petition No. 897.

Petition of I. S. Seaver and 39 other citizens of Gratiot county requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 65, relative to the reading of the Holy Bible in the public schools of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Hulse presented

Petition No. 898.

Petition of the Detroit Federation of Women's Clubs of Detroit, Wayne county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 117 (file No. 55), relative to providing for the taxation, licensing and regulation of the business of manufacturing, sale, etc., of spirituous and intoxicating liquors in this State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Frank A. Smith presented

Petition No. 899.

Resolutions adopted by Bristol Grange No. 1274, of Lake county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 48, relative to prohibiting the manufacture, sale, keeping for sale or giving away cigarettes.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Frank A. Smith presented

Petition No. 900.

Resolutions adopted by Bristol Grange No. 1274, of Lake county, favoring a larger appropriation for the Michigan Agricultural College, and also for the use of the Farmer's Institute.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on Agricultural College.

Mr. William F. Jerome presented

Petition No. 901.

Petition of Howard Cordrey and 201 other students and teachers of Hillsdale High School, of Hillsdale, Hillsdale county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 48, relative to prohibiting the manufacture, sale, keeping for sale or giving away cigarettes.

The petition was referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. William F. Jerome presented

Petition No. 902.

Petition of C. H. Andrews and 10 other citizens of Montgomery, Hillsdale county, in favor of Senate bill No. 64, relative to a retirement fund for teachers.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Quintel presented

Petition No. 903.

Petition of Wm. F. Lange and 67 other citizens of Bay City, Bay county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 64, relative to a retirement fund for teachers.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Anderson presented

Petition No. 904.

Petition of Jos. Cutliff and 11 other citizens of Frankfort, Benzie county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Stevens presented

Petition No. 905.

Petition of Mrs. L. Schmidt and 350 other students and citizens of Ypsilanti, Washtenaw county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 77, relative to prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors within a radius of five miles of certain educational institutions of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY CLERK OF PRINTING OF BILLS.

The Clerk announced that the following named bills had been printed and placed upon the files of the members Tuesday, March 16:

Senate bill No. 105 (file No. 194), entitled

A bill to amend section 7 of Act 182 of the Public Acts of 1885, entitled "An act to provide for the appointment of a State Live Stock Sanitary Commission and a State Veterinarian, and to prescribe their powers and duties and to prevent and suppress contagious and infectious diseases among live stock of the State," the same being section 5633 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by Act 172 of the Public Acts of 1909; and to add a new section to said act to stand as section 29 thereof.

Senate bill No. 240 (file No. 195), entitled

A bill to prevent trespassing on the tracks and rights of way of railroad companies operating within this State, and to provide punishment therefor.

Senate bill No. 241 (file No. 196), entitled

A bill to amend section 26 of Act No. 300 of the Public Acts for the year 1909, entitled "An act to define and regulate common carriers and the receiving, transportation and delivery of persons and property, prevent the imposition of unreasonable rates, prevent unjust discrimination, insure adequate service, create the Michigan Railroad Commission, define the powers and duties thereof, and to prescribe penalties for violations hereof."

The Clerk announced that the following named bills had been printed and placed upon the files of the members Wednesday, March 17:

Senate bill No. 244 (file No. 197), entitled

A bill for the prevention of fire waste, the creation of the office and appointment of a State Fire Marshal, authorizing the appointment of his assistants and deputies, to prescribe their several powers, duties and compensation; to prescribe procedure in certain cases; providing penalties for violations of the provisions hereof, providing funds to carry out the provisions of this act, and repealing Act No. 79 of the Public Acts of 1911, as amended.

Senate joint resolution No. 10 (file No. 198), entitled

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to section 4 of article III of the Constitution of the State of Michigan, relative to giving women equal rights with male electors in all educational matters and authorizing them to vote for State, county, municipal, township and school district officers, whose duties as such officers shall relate solely to educational matters.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Game Laws, by Mr. Kemmerling, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 357, entitled

A bill to amend sections 15 and 18 of Act No. 275 of the Public Acts of 1911, entitled "An act to provide for the protection of game and birds, to regulate the taking, possession, use and transportation of the same, to prohibit the sale thereof, to regulate the manner of hunting, pursuing and killing game or birds, to provide a penalty for the violation of any of the provisions of this act, and to repeal inconsistent acts and parts of acts," as last amended by Act No. 167 of the Public Acts of 1913.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on State Capitol and Public Buildings, by Mr. Stevenson, Chairman, reported

Senate bill No. 7 (file No. 7), entitled

A bill to provide for the erection and construction of a State office building in the city of Lansing, and to make appropriation therefor.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The Committee on State Affairs, by Mr. James D. Jerome, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 248, entitled

A bill to amend sections 3, 4, 6 and 9 of Act No. 242 of the Public Acts of 1863, entitled "An act for the incorporation of hospitals or asylums, in cases where valuable grants or emoluments have been made to trustees for such purposes and the several acts amendatory thereof.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on State Affairs, by Mr. James D. Jerome, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 320, entitled

A bill to amend sections 10 and 11 of chapter 171 of the Revised Statutes of 1846, entitled "Of county jails and the regulation thereof," being sections 2659 and 2660 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as last amended by Act No. 10 of the Public Acts of 1909.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on State Normal College, by Mr. Griggs, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 84, entitled

A bill making appropriation for the Michigan State Normal Collège for current expenses for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The Committee on Traverse City State Hospital, by Mr. Sherman, Chairman, reported

Senate bill No. 147 (file No. 104), entitled

A bill to provide for the establishment of a general hospital department in the Traverse City State Hospital, to provide for the government thereof, and for the reception and treatment of patients seeking medical or surgical aid therein.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR.

A message was received from the Governor informing the House of Representatives that on Tuesday, March 16, he had approved

House bill No. 106 (file No. 30), enrolled No. 10, entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of Act No. 243 of the Public Acts of 1903, as amended by Act No. 119 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act in relation to the manufacture and sale of renovated butter."

A message was received from the Governor informing the House of Representatives that on Wednesday, March 17, he had approved

House bill No. 136 (file No. 35), enrolled No. 12, entitled

A bill to amend Act No. 184 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An

act to regulate the business of selling farm products on commission, providing all commission merchants dealing in farm products shall be licensed, to provide against and punish fraud and deception in the sale of farm products on commission, and defining the duties of the State Dairy and Food Commissioner relative thereto," by adding thereto a new section to be known as section 11.

By unanimous consent.

Mr. Henry sent to the desk a communication from the Attorney General, received by the Committee on Railroads, relative to the railroad passenger rate question, and moved that it be spread upon the Journal.

The motion prevailed.

The following is the communication:

To the Joint Committee on Railroads of the Senate and House of Representatives, Capitol, Lansing:

Gentlemen:—Some time since, you requested me to appear before your committee in connection with the bills which have been introduced increasing the passenger rate on the various railroads of the State. At the time I appeared my information was of such a general character as that I was unable to give you in detail figures tending to show that figures furnished by the railroad companies on a rate question should not to be taken without further investigation. My general information on the subject, however, was of such a character that I then took occasion to advise that there be no increase in passenger rates in the State of Michigan until the question of passenger rates could be thoroughly investigated by a competent tribunal with the view of furnishing the Legislature definite information on the subject before it acted. At that time the case of the Duluth, South Shore & Atlantic Railway Company against the Railroad Commission and the Attorney General was being argued at Detroit and all papers with reference to that case were there being used at that hearing and were not accessible to me. The figures in the South Shore case, I should state, are the only figures available in this department upon the question of passenger rates. While two other cases are pending involving this question, no testimony has been taken in either of them, and the figures in the South Shore case are the only ones I am able to submit to you. I do not desire to be regarded as attempting to try the South Shore case before you, but only desire to submit to you without argument the difference in the claim of the railroad company in this case and the claim of the State. These figures are submitted for the purpose of complying with your request as far as lies within my power and will demonstrate beyond question that where the question of fixing a rate is concerned, valuations, figures, theories and results differ radically and that only by a careful examination of these valuations, figures, theories and results will a correct conclusion be reached. Undoubtedly the South Shore case has been as well prepared and submitted as any rate case in the country. If the State succeeds in this litigation, and I believe it will, the credit should be given to two of my predecessors, Judge Kuhn and Mr. Wykes. The case was started under the administration of Judge Kuhn and the defense planned dur-

ing his administration. That defense has been ably conducted by Mr. Wykes, and while since I have been in the department I have stood back of the defense in this case, the credit should belong to Judge Kuhn and Mr. Wykes, and I most cheerfully give it.

The question of the valuation of railroads did not become an important question in this State until the year 1902. In that year the first valid ad valorem assessment of railroads was made. Taking up the South Shore railroad, we find that in that year under its sworn statement, its value was fixed by its own officers at \$4,462,261. The State Board of Assessors fixed the value in its tentative assessment at \$11,250,000. The general counsel for the road appearing before the Board of Assessors claimed that it should not be assessed beyond \$7,698,850. Upon a review of the assessment, the value of the road was fixed by the State Board at \$12,500,000. In 1903, the road through its officers reported its value at \$7,832,195. The tentative assessment fixed by the State Board of Assessors was \$11,300,000. The general counsel of the road upon the hearing insisted that it should not be assessed beyond \$9,000,000. The final figures in the assessment was \$11,000,000. In 1904, this railroad through its officers fixed its value at \$7,776,824. The tentative assessment was fixed at \$10,000,000. The general counsel of the road, now its president, insisted that it should not be assessed beyond \$7,950,000, and the figures fixed in the assessment were \$9,500,000. In 1905, the company reported its value at \$7,711,354. The tentative assessment was \$9,650,000. The general counsel's figures were \$8,434,133, and the assessment was fixed at \$9,500,000. The following year, 1906, the road reported its value at \$7,884,151. The figures of the tentative assessment were \$9,650,000. Its general counsel claimed that it should not be assessed beyond \$9,000,000. The figures of the final assessment were \$9,625,000. In the succeeding year the road reported its value as \$7,898,925. It was assessed both in the tentative and final assessment at \$9,675,000. In 1908, it reported its value to be \$7,655,582 and the tentative and final assessments were at the same figures as of the year before. In 1909, it reported its value as \$7,425,535, and its tentative and final assessment was \$9,600,000. In 1910 (and this was the year before the two-cent act was passed and before the railroad started the case to set aside the same), it reported its value at \$7,768,605. Its tentative and final assessment was \$9,600,000. In 1911, the two-cent fare law was passed and took effect, and the suit was started by the South Shore Company to restrain its enforcement. It then reported its value after the bringing of this suit, at \$11,131,000, an increase under its own statement over the year before, of \$3,362,395. The second year the lawsuit was pending, namely, 1912, it reported its value at \$11,144,946. It was assessed both tentatively and finally at \$9,600,000. In 1913, it reported its value at the same amount as the previous year, and the tentative and final assessment was \$10,000,000.

A comparison between the high and the low points in these valuations showed that the railroad figures varied from its first report of \$4,462,261, to \$11,144,946 after its suit had been commenced, while the State's figures varied from \$12,500,000, the first year of the assessment, to \$9,500,000, the third and fourth years of the assessment; and while the State's figures have not varied as materially as have the company's figures, the variation is substantial.

Prior to the rate litigation, three valuations of railroad properties in the State of Michigan had been had under the direction of Professor Cooley. These were, respectively, in 1900, 1903 and 1905. In the 1900 valuation, the cost of reproduction of this property was found to be \$11,433,233, and its present physical value as \$8,325,624. In the 1903 appraisal, the cost of reproduction was found to be \$11,821,036 and its present physical value as \$9,087,095. In the appraisal of 1905, the cost of reproduction was placed at \$12,818,512, and its present physical value at \$9,960,405. In the company's reports since 1905, it has reported additions and betterments to the extent of \$2,652,917, so that if we should take the present physical value of the road in 1905 as fixed by Professor Cooley and add to that sum the additions and betterments and make no further deductions for depreciation, the value of the road today would be \$12,613,322. Three valuations of the South Shore property had been made for purposes of this litigation, two of them being made by the railroad company, one in 1911 and the other in 1913, and one valuation was made by the State in 1912. The valuation made in 1911, as corrected by the railroad company, fixed the cost of reproduction at \$19,152,554, and the present physical value of the property at \$16,148,701. The appraisal of 1913 (exclusive of land values) showed a claimed cost of reproduction of \$17,784,369, and a present physical value (exclusive of the land) of \$14,602,343. To this 1913 appraisal made by the company should be added their claim for the value of the land, bringing their total claim to \$17,044,081 as the present physical value of the property. In this litigation it is the claim of the State that as of June 30th, 1913, the physical value of this property, including the land, is \$11,457,169, or a difference between the claim of the company and the claim of the State of \$5,586,912. While this difference in the present claim of the railroad company and the present claim of the State is at over five million and a half dollars, the difference between these claimed values almost sinks into insignificance when we compare the highest claim of the railroad company with its lowest claim, its highest being \$17,044,081 and its lowest claim being the amount fixed by it in its sworn statement in 1902, at \$4,462,261, a difference between its high and low figures of \$12,581,820, or a difference between its high and low figures in excess of what the State is willing to concede the property is worth.

While time will not permit the consideration in detail of each of the schedules wherein the difference between the State and the railroad occurs, yet some of these schedules may be taken up for the purpose of showing that in a rate case there is a marked disagreement as to the value of the items which will go to make up the total. I shall therefore call your attention to a few of the schedules, giving the difference between the figures of the State and the railroad company.

The State's claim is that the land owned by the South Shore Company and used in the railroad business is worth \$1,145,411. It is the company's claim that this land is worth \$2,109,855. The difference in this item alone is \$964,444. It is the claim of the State that these land values claimed by the company are grossly excessive, that those values include elements which would be eliminated under the Minnesota Rate case and that speculative rather than actual values have been used by the company. As an illustration: The company gives the land in the

vicinity of Negaunee an extremely high valuation because of its mineral possibilities and because of the fact that Negaunee is a thriving city where surface rights are valuable. It also gives high values to land at Eagle Mills, three miles to the east of Negaunee, which has no population and no known ore possibilities, because it is claimed that at some remote period Negaunee will be moved to Eagle Mills so that the ore can be taken out of the ground at Negaunee and that therefore the land at Eagle Mills is of great value. It might be said with reference to Eagle Mills, that the State Tax Commission appraised this land at approximately \$6.00 per acre, while witnesses called by the company fixed its value at \$500 per acre, based upon the prospective moving of Negaunee to that point.

There is a material difference in the value of the grading as fixed by the State and by the company, the State allowing this item at the sum of \$2,256,581, while the company's figures on this item are \$2,841,422, a difference of \$584,841. This difference is due to unit prices and the claim of the State that the company has not followed the rule laid down in the Minnesota Rate case.

The difference in the value of ties amounts to \$118,316, the company fixing the value at \$320,844 and the State fixing the value at \$202,528. The item of ballast finds a difference of \$132,958, the figures being as follows: The company's claim, \$693,438, and the State's claim, \$560,480. The track laying and surfacing approximates a difference of \$100,000, the exact figures being as follows: State's claim, \$198,358, and the company's claim, \$298,266, or a difference of \$99,908. The side tracks show a difference of \$184,422, while docks and wharves show a difference of \$154,374.

There is a difference of \$306,188 in the value of the locomotives. This arises not by reason of a difference in the actual values of the property on hand, but the State insists that the company shall not charge into this item locomotives which have been ordered but not paid for and not delivered. The number of locomotives which have been ordered and not paid for and not delivered at the end of the fiscal year, but which the company insists should be put into their inventory, makes this difference between the company's figures and the State's figures.

Freight train cars show a difference of \$377,200. This item of difference is caused as is the locomotive item, the State conceding the value of the freight train cars on hand to be the amount claimed by the company but declines to concede that cars ordered, not delivered and not paid for should go into the inventory.

Another item not of large size but of marked difference is engineering on equipment. The State declines to concede the value for engineering on equipment (although conceding that the company is entitled to engineering on construction). The company's claim for engineering on equipment being \$52,437, which item is denied *in toto* by the State.

Another item of considerable amount in which there is a wide difference is the item of contingencies. The State declines to recognize this as a valid item in fixing the value of property already constructed. The State's claim on this being that the item of contingencies should be nothing, while the company's claim is that it should be allowed \$918,429 for contingencies.

The State concedes that certain organization expenses should be allowed, but denies the amount claimed by the company as being the correct amount. The State concedes \$24,579 for legal expenses as a part of the organization expenses. The company claims \$61,749 for this item, not because it claims to have spent that amount, but because it claims that it is entitled to a percentage for that item. The State concedes \$100,000 for organization, administration, etc. The company claims \$247,000. The State concedes interest during construction of \$437,566, while the company claims \$1,139,288, the difference on these three items being \$885,892.

CAPITAL.

The company claims that it has \$167,106 in working capital. This item is denied *in toto* by the State. The stores and supplies shows a difference of \$35,891.

A resume of the overheads and contingencies shows that the State's figures upon this item is \$767,145, while the company claims for this item \$2,751,567, a difference of \$1,984,422, substantially two million dollars more in overheads and contingencies than the State is willing to allow.

While it is not the purpose in examining these figures to assail the accuracy of the figures furnished by the company in this trial, but only to show the great variation between the company's figures and the State's figures, it may be proper to call your attention to the fact that in this case a comparison of the company's appraisal with the actual cost as shown by the company's books show that upon forty-five items appearing in its appraisal the company had fixed the cost of reproduction \$706,689 more than the actual cost of these forty-five items. And after charging off depreciation, the final figures after such excess charge was \$302,740, or 115 per cent of their cost after the depreciation had been charged off. This table will be found at page 103 of the State's type-written brief.

It would be unnecessary to go further into details to demonstrate that the State in this lawsuit has disagreed materially from the claims of the company as to the actual value of the property as a whole and as to the items which make up that whole.

In the determination of a rate question the body fixing that rate would in its logical order first determine the value of the property as a whole. I have shown you some of the differences in the claims of the parties in the South Shore litigation. The body which determines the question would first take up these figures and after considering all of them would determine the value of the property for rate-making purposes. In logical sequence the next question would be, what proportion of that property is used in the passenger business, what percentage of it, in order to determine upon what value the company was entitled to earn its return. In the division between passenger and freight there is found certain property that is devoted exclusively to the passenger business, certain property that is devoted exclusively to the freight business, and certain property that is used in common by the two. In this division of the property there is also a marked conflict between the State and the railroad company, the State insisting that \$509,516 is used exclusively

in passenger business, and the company claiming that \$834,708 is used exclusively in the passenger business. The State claims that of the common property, \$1,850,789 should be assigned to the passenger business, while the railroad company claims that \$4,772,665 of the property used in common should be assigned to the passenger business. Therefore, the State claims that this company is entitled to earn upon its passenger business an income on \$2,360,305, while the company claims that it is entitled to earn in its passenger department upon a valuation of \$5,607,373. If we divide the passenger business between the interstate and intrastate, the State claims that \$1,547,888 of property is used in the intrastate passenger business, while the company claims that \$3,415,887 are the correct figures to be used as a basis upon which a return should be earned. Some of this difference grows out of the difference in the valuation as fixed by the State and the railroad company, while a part of the difference exists in percentages. For example, the railroad company contends that 32.90 per cent of its total property is used in its passenger business, while the State claims that only 20.60 per cent of its property is used in the passenger business. The State further divides the passenger business between inter and intrastate business and claims that only 13.51 per cent of the company's property is used in its intrastate passenger business. It might be said at this point that if the State's claim upon this proposition is approximately correct, that the company is receiving a return far in excess of the legal rate of interest in the State of Michigan. Which of these figures are correct and which are inaccurate is a difficult question for the average layman to decide. Three and a half years have been spent in collecting them and an offhand judgment as to their correctness might work great hardship to one or the other of the contending parties.

As bearing upon the question of whether the figures furnished by the railroad companies should be taken at par and without investigation, I desire to call your attention to three items of controversy in the South Shore case. The first item grows out of an increase of \$224,641.91 found in the inventory of 1913 in addition to the inventory of 1911, both inventories being furnished by the railroad company, and the amount just stated being beyond the amounts charged to additions and betterments during these two years. These figures are worked out in this manner: The appraisal of 1913 (excluding the lands) amounted to \$14,449,407. The working capital, stores and supplies amount to \$462,502, which, deducted from the first sum, leaves \$13,986,905. The inventory of 1911 shows the appraisal (excluding lands) to be \$13,156,703. Deducting working capital, stores and supplies leaves these figures \$12,729,432, an increase in 1913 inventory over the 1911 inventory of \$1,257,473.

An examination of the books of the company shows that during this period there was charged for additions and betterments \$970,737.38, from which should be deducted real estate charges of \$2,268.54, leaving the net addition and betterment charges \$968,468.84. To this should be added \$20,986.18 expended on bridges and charged to operation and \$43,376 expended for car ferries and charged to income, making a total of additions and betterments of \$1,032,831.02, and leaving an increase of \$224,641.98 unaccounted for in the addition and betterment items. It is the claim of the State that either the 1913 appraisal is too high

or that this amount has been charged to maintenance and operation instead of additions and betterments. This claim is substantiated by the surrounding circumstances. When suit was started, Mr. Delf in an affidavit filed made the following statement:

"The condition of the company's property for a long time has been such as to require large expenditures of money to make up for depreciation, not included in operating expenses or otherwise provided for prior to 1907, and also for betterments and additions required in order to enable the company to discharge its duties to the public * * * and has annually used large sums of money for the purpose of improving its property * * *."

Upon the trial various witnesses testified to the present (July, 1913) excellent condition of the property. In addition to that we have the fact that while the maintenance of way and structure expenses for the four years prior to the bringing of the suit averaged \$422,018 per year, during the fiscal year 1913, that account increased to \$581,520. As a further illustration, the ballast material for the five years previous to 1913 averaged \$3,989.50 per annum, while for the year 1913 this account was \$25,938.38. Indeed, the operating expenses for the year 1913 increased 18.4 per cent over the year 1910, and while the cost as claimed by them for carrying a passenger a mile in 1910 was 1.8965 cents, in 1913 the cost as claimed by them was 2.4311 cents, or an increase over 1910 of 28.19 per cent. Taking these facts together with others appearing in the case into consideration, it is the claim of the State that at least to the amount above indicated, viz.: \$224,641.98, the bookkeeping of the company and the figures furnished by them are erroneous. I do not want to be understood in this statement as claiming that the bookkeeping is not in conformity with the rules laid down by the Interstate Commerce Commission, but do contend in a rate making case or investigation this claim of the State should be given consideration.

The next item involves the question of proportion of operating expenses that should be borne by the passenger department. The company claims that the common expenses should be divided as follows: To the passenger business, 46.98 per cent; to the freight business, 53.02 per cent. This division is not acquiesced in by the State. The State also insists that certain items of expenses which are charged by the company to the passenger department should not be charged against the passenger riding in the day coach. These items may be grouped under the head of sleeping and dining car service. Under the company's claim, the direct cost of this business for the year 1913 was \$63,034. The State insists that to this sum should be added the following items: Assignment of indirect cost (this being the proportion of total passenger service cost that the State claims this service should bear), \$144,102; hire of equipment, \$1,027; taxes (proportional), \$2,703; Mackinaw Transportation Company (proportional), \$4,427; making a total sum to be charged against this service of \$215,293. The total revenues from this service amounted to \$64,759, showing a loss of \$150,534. It is the claim of the State that the passenger riding in the day coaches should not be charged a rate adequate to make up this deficiency.

The next and last item of the three involves the Mackinaw Transportation Company. This company is an independent organization which

operates the car ferry between St. Ignace and Mackinaw City, and is owned by the Duluth, South Shore & Atlantic, the Michigan Central and the Grand Rapids & Indiana railroads.

The company transports both passenger and freight cars between these two points for the benefit of these three railroads. No arbitrary charge is made for the transportation of freight and freight cars, which numbered in 1913, 46,092. The company does receive a small revenue for carrying package freight locally and mail and express between Mackinac City and St. Ignace. It makes an arbitrary charge of fifty cents for each passenger transferred, whether in the cars of the South Shore or not. The number of passenger train cars transferred during the year was 6,045.

Inasmuch as no arbitrary charge is made for transporting freight in freight cars, the operation of this company shows a loss. At the end of each month the net cost of operation is apportioned among the three railroads owning it. The railroad company apportioned this loss between its passenger and freight departments on the basis of the direct revenues in Michigan in each class. As a result, it claims and charges against the passenger business in this case for the year 1910, \$8,983; for the year 1911, \$6,788; for the year 1912, \$9,888; for the year 1913, \$22,074. It is the contention of the State that the passenger pays his way, and a substantial sum in addition. Computations which have been made by the defendants indicate that there was no loss in the passenger side of the business for any year, but a profit instead; the claim being that the losses charged by the complainant to the passenger business should be eliminated and a profit substituted in amounts as follows: For the year 1910, \$11,075; for the year 1911, \$13,286; for the year 1912, \$12,953, and for the year 1913, \$12,858.

It should be said, however, in passing, that some of the claims made by the complainant with reference to these three items had been materially modified under the vigorous protests of the State. I have only given them for the purpose of showing that the figures furnished by the company in a rate case or a rate investigation should not pass without challenge and without a thorough investigation of each and every item that make up the total.

The railroad company has submitted in this case three computations with reference to the amount of operating expenses that should be assigned to the passenger department. These claims, reduced to percentages, are as follows: Complainant's exhibit No. 72, total passenger, 35.59 per cent; intrastate passenger, 24.44 per cent. Complainant's exhibit No. 72, revised, total passenger, 33.16 per cent; intrastate passenger, 22.02 per cent. Complainant's computation filed with the argument, total passenger, 31.48 per cent; intrastate passenger, 20.87 per cent. During the argument several changes were made by the complainant which it is estimated will further reduce the passenger proportion of the expenses. The defendants have filed five computations of the amount of operating expenses that should be charged to the passenger department. These figured out on the basis of percentages are as follows: Defendants' exhibit No. 77, total passenger, 25.59 per cent, which in this exhibit is separated into sleepers and diners, mail and express, passengers and baggage, the percentage for the passengers and baggage being 16.30 per cent. Defendants' second computation shows the percent-

age charged the total passenger to be 29.13, the intrastate passenger percentage being 18.41. The third computation submitted by the State reaches the same results in percentages, although a different method is used to produce these figures. The State's fourth computation worked out in percentages shows total passenger, 28.92; intrastate passenger, 18.64. The fifth computation worked out by the State shows the total passenger, 31.67 per cent, and the intrastate passenger, 20.14 per cent.

The final question for determination in a rate case or rate investigation is "what is the return?" the company being entitled to a reasonable return upon its passenger business, and all of the steps which I have enumerated and all of the figures which I have given lead up to the solution of this final question. Three successive computations have been submitted by the company showing their claim of return on the intrastate passenger business, and the percentage of net income from that business has been computed. It should be borne in mind that the company has been collecting three cents per mile and the figures here given in the computations of the company and of the State are upon the basis of three cents per mile.

The first computation submitted by the company claimed a return of only \$15,843. This reduced to percentages would mean a return of 0.46 per cent, so that it will be seen that if the company's figures were accepted without investigation and without controversy we would be obliged to come to the conclusion that a three-cent rate was confiscatory as applied to this company, and that practically no return was being had by the railroad even at three cents per mile. The second computation submitted by the company was a modification of the first one, and shows a return of \$94,996, which produced a return of 2.78 per cent. The third computation was \$130,054, which reduced to percentage of return would be 3.81 per cent. I understand that still further modifications will be filed, but they have not thus far been prepared and are not before me.

The six computations made by the State show the following results on the intrastate passenger business. The first computation shows net return, \$355,675; per cent of return, 22.98. The second computation shows net return \$297,920; per cent of return, 19.25. The third computation shows a net return of \$239,960; per cent of return, 15.50. The fourth computation shows a net return of \$239,852; per cent of return being 15.50. The fifth computation shows a net return of \$234,831; the per cent of return being 15.17. The sixth computation shows net return, \$201,880; and the per cent of return, 13.04.

It will therefore be seen by a comparison of these respective claims that under the claim of the company, the company is not receiving an adequate return even at three cents, while under the claim of the State it is receiving much in excess of an adequate return on the three cents per mile basis.

It should not be assumed that in these figures submitted, that anything more than the high points of the controversy as to values, figures, percentages and results have been touched. Over ten thousand pages of testimony have been taken, practically every page of which bristles with conflict between the company and the State. Nor should it be understood that I have submitted these figures for the purpose of establishing the correctness of the State's claim. I have submitted these

figures for one purpose and one purpose only. To demonstrate to this committee that figures submitted in a rate-making investigation or case should not be taken at par and should not be taken without a full and complete investigation. That investigation cannot be had in the brief space of time encompassed by the session of the Legislature. Two methods of investigation are open, one in suits by the railroad companies to set aside the rate fixed by the statute, the other an investigation by a commission or tribunal charged with the performance of that service. As between these two it seems to me the latter plan is the most feasible. The length of time and the expense of the trial of a rate case would exceed that of a board or commission. In fact, I think a complete investigation could be made by a board or commission covering the entire railroads of the State within as short a time and with no more expense than would be incurred in the preparation and trial of a rate case in court. I therefore recommend that there be no change in the present law until and unless a thorough investigation demonstrates and shows its necessity.

GRANT FELLOWS,
Attorney General.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting Senate bill No. 106 (file No. 173), entitled

A bill to provide for the appointment of a cashier, bookkeeper, assistant bookkeeper and a chief clerk in the office of the State Treasurer, and to fix the salaries thereof.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Palmer introduced

House bill No. 360, entitled

A bill to repeal section 30 of chapter 66 of the Revised Statutes of 1846, entitled "Of estates in dower, by the curtesy, and general provisions concerning real estate," being section 8955 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Lewis introduced

House bill No. 361, entitled

A bill to repeal Act No. 87 of the Public Acts of 1907, entitled "An act to prohibit the spearing of fish in any of the public streams or rivers in certain townships of Van Buren county," upon approval by referendum of the electors of said townships.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Fish and Fisheries.

Mr. Lewis (by request) introduced

House bill No. 362, entitled

A bill to provide for the appointment of a commission to prepare and report to the Legislature a comprehensive plan, containing recommendations for legislative action, which shall provide for a complete system of State insurance embracing and including all forms and classes of insurance, and to prescribe their duties and provide for their compensation.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Insurance.

Mr. Flowers introduced

House bill No. 363, entitled

A bill to amend section 6 of chapter 28 of Act No. 183 of the Public Acts of 1897, approved May 29, 1897, being an act entitled "An act to provide for the appointment and to fix the term of office, duties and compensation of circuit court stenographers in the State of Michigan," being compiler's section 368 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Wolcott introduced

House bill No. 364, entitled

A bill to amend the title and sections 1 and 2 of Act No. 31 of the Public Acts of 1887, entitled "An act to prohibit the maintenance of saloons or other places of entertainment in which intoxicating liquors are sold, and to prohibit the sale or giving away of intoxicating liquors within one mile of the Soldiers' Home," being sections 5443 and 5444 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Oakley introduced

House bill No. 365, entitled

A bill to protect the lives, health and morals of women workers; to establish a minimum wage commission therefor, and to define its powers and duties; to provide for the fixing of minimum wages for such workers, and to provide penalties for the violation of the same; for publicity; and to make an appropriation therefor.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Labor.

Mr. Stevenson introduced

House bill No. 366, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from the township of Clay in Saint Clair county in the State of Michigan, to organize the township of Harsen's Island and detach the following land from Saint Clair county and made a part of Macomb county, and to provide for the appointment of boards of registration, and inspectors of election in and for said township of Harsen's Island.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Towns and Counties.

Mr. Thomas Read introduced

House bill No. 367, entitled

A bill relative to the cost of bonds to be provided by township officers.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Towns and Counties.

Mr. Petermann introduced

House bill No. 368, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1, 2, 4, 16, 17, 18, 19, 21, 22, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 34, 35, 36, 39, 41 and 55 of Act No. 281 of the Public Acts of the State of Michigan for the year 1909, entitled "An act relative to the nomination of party candidates for public office and delegates to political conventions, to regulate primary elections and to prescribe penalties for violations of its provisions, and to provide for the printing upon election ballots of the names of candidates nominated under the terms of this act, and to repeal Act No. 4 of the Public Acts of the Extra Session of the year 1907, and all local primary election acts contravening the provisions of this act, except as in this act otherwise provided," as amended by Act No. 279 of the Public Acts of 1911, and by Act No. 118 of the Public Acts of 1913, and to add six new sections to said act, to stand as sections 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Elections.

Mr. Petermann introduced

House bill No. 369, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of Act No. 32 of the Public Acts of 1873, entitled "An act to extend aid to the University of Michigan, and to repeal an act entitled 'An act to extend aid to the University of Michigan,' approved March 15, 1867, being sections 3506 and 3507 of the Compiled Laws of 1871," as last amended by Act No. 303 of the Public Acts of 1907.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on General Taxation.

Mr. Petermann introduced

House bill No. 370, entitled

A bill to require examiners and appraisers of property employed by the Board of State Tax Commissioners, to take and file the constitutional oath of office.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on General Taxation.

Mr. Petermann introduced

House bill No. 371, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of Act No. 232 of the Public Acts of 1901, entitled "An act to extend aid to the Michigan Agricultural College," as amended by Act No. 324 of the Public Acts of 1913.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on General Taxation.

Mr. Petermann introduced
House bill No. 372, entitled

A bill to amend section 148 of Act 206 of the Public Acts of 1893, entitled "An act to provide for the assessment of property and the levy and collection of taxes thereon, and for the collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied; making such taxes a lien on the lands taxed, establishing and continuing such lien, providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes, and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the State, and not redeemed or purchased; and to repeal Act No. 200 of the Public Acts of 1891, and all other acts and parts of acts in anywise contravening any of the provisions of this act," as added to said act by Act No. 154 of the Public Acts of 1899, as last amended by Act No. 153 of the Public Acts of 1913.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on General Taxation.

Mr. Petermann introduced
House bill No. 373, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1, 2 and 4 of Act No. 44 of the Public Acts of 1911, entitled "An act to create a State Board of Equalization; to prescribe its powers and duties; to provide that said board shall be furnished with certain information by the several boards of supervisors and by the Board of State Tax Commissioners to provide for meeting the expense authorized by this act, and to repeal all acts or parts of acts contravening the provisions of this act."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on General Taxation.

Mr. Petermann introduced
House bill No. 374, entitled

A bill to amend section 34 of Act No. 206 of the Public Acts of 1893, entitled "An act to provide for the assessment of property and the levy and collection of taxes thereon, and for the collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied, making such taxes a lien on the lands taxed, establishing and continuing such lien, providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes, and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the State and not redeemed or purchased; and to repeal Act No. 200 of the Public Acts of 1891, and all other acts and parts of acts in anywise contravening any of the provisions of this act," as last amended by Act No. 201 of the Public Acts of 1913, being section 3857 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on General Taxation.

Mr. Petermann introduced
House bill No. 375, entitled

A bill to repeal Act No. 70 of the Public Acts of 1911, entitled "An act regulating the taxation of steam vessels, steam boats and other steam water craft of registered tonnage within the State of Michigan."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on General Taxation.

Mr. Olmsted introduced

House bill No. 376, entitled

A bill to amend section 8 of chapter 6 of Act No. 254 of the Public Acts of 1897, entitled "An act to provide for the construction and maintenance of drains, and the assessment and collection of taxes therefor, and to repeal all other laws relative thereto," being section 4361 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Drainage.

Mr. Olmsted introduced

House bill No. 377, entitled

A bill to amend section 7 of chapter 3 of Act No. 283 of the Public Acts of 1909, as amended, entitled "An act to revise, consolidate and add to the laws relating to the establishment, opening, improvement, maintenance and use of the public highways and private roads, the condemnation of property and gravel therefor; the building, repairing and preservation of bridges, setting and protecting shade trees, drainage, cutting weeds and brush within this State, and providing for the election and defining the powers, duties and compensation of State, county, township and district highway officials."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Roads and Bridges.

Mr. Wood introduced

House bill No. 378, entitled

A bill to amend section 7 of Act No. 206 of the Public Acts of 1893, entitled "An act to provide for the assessment of property and the levy and collection of taxes thereon, and for the collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied; making such taxes a lien on the lands taxed; establishing and continuing such lien, providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes, and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the State and not redeemed or purchased; and to repeal Act No. 200 of the Public Acts of 1891, and all other acts or parts of acts in anywise contravening any of the provisions of this act," being section 7 of chapter 98 and compiler's section 3830 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by Act No. 309 of the Public Acts of 1909, and as last amended by Act No. 174 of the Public Acts of 1911.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Michigan Soldiers' Home.

Mr. Woodruff introduced

House bill No. 379, entitled

A bill to amend chapter 13 of Act 283 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to revise, consolidate and add to the laws relating to the establishment, opening, improvement, maintenance and use of the public highways and private roads, the condemnation of property and gravel therefor; the building, repairing and preservation of bridges; setting and protecting shade trees, drainage, cutting weeds and brush within this State, and providing for the election and defining the powers, duties and compensation of State, county, township and district high-

way officials," by adding thereto a new section to be known as section 16, relative to public wharves, docks and landings at the foot or end of public highways or navigable waters.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Roads and Bridges.

Mr. Stevens introduced

House bill No. 380, entitled

A bill to provide for the incorporation of farm-land banks and prescribing their powers and duties, to provide for the issuing of bonds by such institutions; exempting such banks and the bonds issued thereby from taxation; and to provide for the examination and regulation of such banks by the Commissioner of Banking.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 259 (file No. 82), entitled

A bill to amend section 15 of chapter 2; sections 6, 7, 10, 18, 20 and 21 of chapter 4; sections 3, 9, 10, 11 and 12 of chapter 5; section 13 of chapter 8; sections 2 and 3 of chapter 15 of Act No. 283 of the Public Acts of 1909 as amended, entitled "An act to revise, consolidate and add to the laws relating to the establishment, opening, improvement, maintenance and use of the public highways and private roads, the condemnation of property and gravel therefor; the building, repairing and preservation of bridges; setting and protecting shade trees, drainage, cutting weeds and brush within this State, and providing for the election and defining the powers, duties and compensation of State, county, township and district highway officials."

Was read a third time and, the question being on its passage,

Mr. Wright moved to amend the bill

1. By striking out of line 18 of section 15 of chapter II the words "after which they shall be filed with the township clerk, and copies thereof shall be filed with the township treasurer," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "the plans and profile shall be filed, one set thereof with the township clerk and one set with the township treasurer."

The motion did not prevail and the amendment was not adopted, a majority of all the members-elect not voting therefor.

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Gayde	Mr. Moore	Mr. Sly
Anderson	Gettel	Nelson	Smith, F. A.
Ashley	Green	Oakley	Smith, Newel
Averill	Griggs	O'Brien	Smith, S. J.
Biggerstaff	Henry	Olmsted	Snow
Bosch	Hoffman	Ormsbee	Sours
Chapin	Hopkins	Palmer	Stevens
Clark	Hulse	Person	Sutton
Cowan	Jerome, W. F.	Petermann	Symonds

Mr. Culver	Mr. Keen	Mr. Place	Mr. Vine
Daigneau	Kemmerling	Pray	Ward
Daprato	Koehler	Quintel	Warner
Edwards	Kooyers	Reed, C. J.	Watkins
Empson	Lamphere	Robertson	Weissert
Evens	Leland	Rogers	Wells
Ewing	Lewis	Root	Wiley
Flowers	McMillan	Ross	Wood
Ford, R. L.	Martin	Schmidt	Woodruff
Ford, Sheridan	Martz	Sherman	Wright
Francis	Matthews	Shields	Speaker

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NAYS.

Mr. Croll	Mr. Nank	Mr. Rice	Mr. Whiteley
Foote	Penney	Tufts	Wieland
Hinkley	Read, Thos.	Van Antwerp	Wolcott
Jones			

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Pending the announcement of the vote upon the bill,
 Mr. Lamphere demanded the vote of Mr. Woodruff.
 Mr. Woodruff voted yea and was so recorded.
 Mr. Tufts demanded the vote of Mr. Croll.
 Mr. Croll voted nay and was so recorded.
 Mr. Koehler demanded the vote of Mr. Ashley.
 Mr. Ashley voted yea and was so recorded.
 The House agreed to the title of the bill.

House bill No. 207 (file No. 84), entitled

A bill to regulate the sale, disposition, distribution and possession of certain habit-forming drugs.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Haviland	Mr. Penney	Mr. Sours
Anderson	Henry	Person	Stevens
Ashley	Hopkins	Petermann	Stevenson
Averill	Hulse	Place	Sutton
Biggerstaff	Jerome, J. D.	Pray	Symonds
Bosch	Jerome, W. F.	Quintel	Tufts
Chapin	Jones	Read, Thos.	Van Antwerp
Clark	Keen	Reed, C. J.	Vine
Cowan	Kemmerling	Rice	Ward
Croll	Koehler	Robertson	Warner
Culver	Kooyers	Rogers	Watkins
Daprato	Leland	Root	Weissert
De Boer	Lewis	Ross	Wells
Empson	McMillan	Schmidt	Whiteley
Evens	Martin	Sherman	Wieland
Flowers	Matthews	Shields	Wiley
Follett	Moore	Sly	Wolcott
Ford, R. L.	Nank	Smith, F. A.	Wood
Gayde	Oakley	Smith, Newel	Woodruff
Gettel	Olmsted	Smith, S. J.	Wright
Green	Ormsbee	Snow	Speaker
Griggs	Palmer		

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NAYS.

Mr. Edwards
EwingMr. Ford, Sheridan
FrancisMr. Hinkley
LamphereMr. Martz
O'Brien

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The question being on agreeing to the title of the bill,

Mr. Hoffman moved to amend the title so as to read as follows:

A bill to regulate the sale, disposition, distribution and possession of certain habit-forming drugs, and to repeal Act No. 30 of the Public Acts of 1909, and all acts or parts of acts contrary hereto or inconsistent herewith.

The motion prevailed.

The House agreed to the title of the bill as amended.

Mr. Flowers moved that the bill be ordered to take immediate effect.

The motion prevailed, two-thirds of all the members-elect voting therefor.

House bill No. 187 (file No. 86), entitled

A bill to amend section 3 of chapter 16 of the Revised Statutes of 1846, entitled "Of the powers and duties of townships, and election and duties of township officers," the same being compiler's section 2269 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by Act No. 62 of the Public Acts of 1909.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon
Anderson
Ashley
Averill
Biggerstaff
Bosch
Chapin
Cowan
Croll
Culver
Daigneau
Daprato
De Boer
Edwards
Empson
Evans
Ewing
Flowers
Follett
Foote
Ford, R. L.
Ford, Sheridan
Francis
Gayde

Mr. Gettel
Green
Griggs
Haviland
Henry
Hinkley
Hoffman
Hulse
Jerome, J. D.
Jerome, W. F.
Jones
Keen
Kemmerling
Koehler
Kooyers
Lamphere
Leland
Lewis
Martin
Martz
Matthews
Moore
Nank
Nelson

Mr. Oakley
O'Brien
Olmsted
Ormsbee
Palmer
Person
Petermann
Place
Pray
Quintel
Read, Thos.
Reed, C. J.
Rice
Robertson
Rogers
Root
Ross
Schmidt
Sherman
Shields
Sly
Smith, F. A.
Smith, Newel

Mr. Smith, S. J.
Snow
Sours
Stevens
Stevenson
Sutton
Symonds
Tufts
Van Antwerp
Vine
Ward
Warner
Watkins
Weissert
Wells
Whiteley
Wieland
Wiley
Wolcott
Wood
Woodruff
Wright
Speaker

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NAYS.

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

Mr. Petermann moved that the bill be ordered to take immediate effect. The motion prevailed, two-thirds of all the members-elect voting therefor.

House bill No. 24 (file No. 10), entitled

A bill to amend sections 10, 11, 12, 13 and 16 of chapter 81 of the Revised Statutes of 1846, entitled "Fraudulent conveyances and contracts relative to personal property," being sections 9523, 9524, 9525, 9526 and 9529 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, said section 9523 being last amended by Act No. 332 of the Public Acts of 1907.

Was read a third time and, the question being on its passage,

Mr. Lewis moved to amend the bill

1. By inserting in line 1 of section 10, after the word "mortgage" the words "conditional sale, contract or promissory note reserving title."

The motion prevailed and the amendment was adopted, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor.

Pending the taking of the vote upon the passage of the bill,

Mr. Flowers moved that the bill be re-referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

The motion prevailed.

House bill No. 231 (file No. 78), entitled

A bill to repeal Act No. 186 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to provide and establish a court of domestic relations in each county of this State, which has a population of upwards of two hundred fifty thousand, to define its jurisdiction and for the purpose of this act to provide for additional circuit judges in such counties," approved May 6, 1913.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Gayde	Mr. Oakley	Mr. Smith, S. J.
Anderson	Gettel	O'Brien	Snow
Ashley	Green	Olmsted	Sours
Averill	Griggs	Ormsbee	Stevens
Biggerstaff	Hinkley	Palmer	Stevenson
Bosch	Hoffman	Penney	Symonds
Chapin	Hulse	Person	Tufts
Clark	Jerome, J. D.	Petermann	Van Antwerp
Cowan	Jerome, W. F.	Place	Vine
Croll	Jones	Pray	Ward
Culver	Keen	Quintel	Warner
Daigneau	Kemmerling	Read, Thos.	Watkins
Daprato	Koehler	Reed, C. J.	Weissert
De Boer	Kooyers	Robertson	Wells
Edwards	Leland	Rogers	Whiteley
Empson	Lewis	Root	Wieland
Evens	McMillan	Ross	Wiley
Ewing	Martin	Schmidt	Wolcott
Flowers	Martz	Sherman	Wood
Follett	Matthews	Shields	Woodruff
Foote	Moore	Smith, F. A.	Wright
Ford, R. L.	Nank	Smith, Newel	Speaker
Francis	Nelson		

NAYS.

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

Senate bill No. 127 (file No. 87), entitled

A bill to amend section 15 of Act No. 388 of the Local Acts of 1889, entitled "An act supplemental to the charter of the city of Detroit, and relating to parks, boulevards and other public grounds in said city, and to repeal Act No. 374 of the Local Acts of 1879, entitled 'An act to provide for the establishment and maintenance of a broad street or boulevard about the limits of the city of Detroit and through portions of the townships of Hamtramck, Greenfield and Springwells, in the county of Wayne,' " approved May 21, 1879, as amended.

Was read a third time and not passed, a majority of all the members-elect not voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Hinkley	Mr. Place	Mr. Stevens
Anderson	Hulse	Pray	Watkins
Clark	Lewis	Robertson	Wells
Empson	O'Brien	Smith, Newel	Wolcott
Flowers	Palmer	Sours	Speaker

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NAYS.

Mr. Ashley	Mr. Francis	Mr. Matthews	Mr. Sherman
Averill	Gayde	Moore	Shields
Biggerstaff	Gettel	Nank	Smith, S. J.
Bosch	Griggs	Nelson	Stevenson
Chapin	Haviland	Oakley	Sutton
Croll	Hoffman	Olmsted	Symonds
Culver	Jerome, J. D.	Ormsbee	Tufts
De Boer	Jones	Person	Van Antwerp
Edwards	Kemmerling	Petermann	Ward
Evens	Koehler	Read, Thos.	Warner
Ewing	Lamphere	Reed, C. J.	Whiteley
Follett	Leland	Rogers	Wood
Foots	McMillan	Root	Woodruff
Ford, R. L.	Martin	Ross	Wright
Ford, Sheridan	Martz	Schmidt	

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Senate bill No. 61 (file No. 113), entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of Act No. 44 of the Public Acts of 1899, approved April 18, 1899, entitled "An act to provide for the publication and distribution of laws and documents, reports of the several officers, boards of officers and public institutions of this State, now or hereafter to be published, and to provide for the replacing of books lost by fire or otherwise, and to provide for the publication and distribution of the official directory and legislative manual of the State of Michigan, and to repeal Act No. 122 of the Session Laws of 1889, approved May 31, 1889, Act No. 20 of the Session Laws of 1889, approved March 19, 1889, and all other laws or parts of laws contravening or inconsistent with this act," as amended by Act No. 240 of the Public Acts of 1911.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Francis	Mr. Nank	Mr. Smith. F. A.
Anderson	Gayde	Nelson	Smith, Newel
Ashley	Gettel	Oakley	Smith, S. J.
Averill	Green	O'Brien	Snow
Biggerstaff	Griggs	Olmsted	Sours
Bosch	Haviland	Ormsbee	Stevens
Chapin	Hinkley	Palmer	Stevenson
Cowan	Hoffman	Penney	Sutton
Croll	Hopkins	Person	Symonds
Culver	Hulse	Petermann	Tufts
Daigneau	Jerome, J. D.	Place	Van Antwerp
Daprato	Jones	Pray	Warner
De Boer	Koehler	Quintel	Watkins
Edwards	Kooyers	Read, Thos.	Weissert
Empson	Lamphere	Reed, C. J.	Wells
Evens	Leland	Robertson	Whiteley
Ewing	Lewis	Rogers	Wieland
Flowers	McMillan	Root	Wolcott
Follett	Martin	Schmidt	Wood
Foote	Martz	Sherman	Woodruff
Ford, R. L.	Matthews	Shields	Wright
Ford, Sheridan	Moore	Sly	Speaker

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NAYS.

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

Senate bill No. 133 (file No. 144), entitled

A bill to amend section 4 of Act No. 81 of the Public Acts of 1873, entitled "An act to establish a State Board of Health, to provide for the appointment of a superintendent of vital statistics, and to assign certain duties to local boards of health," as amended by Act No. 18 of the Public Acts of 1905, being section 4400 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

Was read a third time and, the question being on its passage,

Mr. Averill moved to amend the bill

By striking out of line 5 of section 4 the word "ten" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "five."

The motion did not prevail and the amendment was not adopted, a majority of all the members-elect not voting therefor.

The bill was then not passed, a majority of all the members-elect not voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Ashley	Mr. Green	Mr. O'Brien	Mr. Stevens
Croll	Griggs	Olmsted	Stevenson
Daprato	Hoffman	Palmer	Tufts
De Boer	Hopkins	Person	Ward
Edwards	Jerome, J. D.	Petermann	Watkins
Ewing	Jones	Read, Thos.	Whiteley
Flowers	Kooyers	Schmidt	Wieland
Follett	Martin	Sherman	Wright
Ford, R. L.	Oakley	Smith, F. A.	Speaker
Gayde			

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NAYS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Hulse	Mr. Ormsbee	Mr. Snow
Anderson	Keen	Pray	Sours
Biggerstaff	Kemmerling	Quintel	Symonds
Bosch	Lamphere	Reed, C. J.	Van Antwerp
Chapin	Leland	Robertson	Vine
Cowan	Lewis	Rogers	Warner
Culver	McMillan	Root	Weissert
Daigneau	Martz	Ross	Wells
Evens	Matthews	Shields	Wolcott
Foote	Moore	Sly	Wood
Ford, Sheridan	Nank	Smith, Newel	Woodruff
Gettel	Nelson	Smith, S. J.	

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Mr. Whiteley moved to reconsider the vote by which the House refused to pass the bill.

The motion prevailed.

The question being on the passage of the bill,

Mr. Whiteley moved that the bill be laid on the table.

The motion prevailed.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Wright offered the following resolution:

House resolution No. 41.

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the Attorney General of the State of Michigan be requested to furnish the House his opinion on House bill No. 77, entitled "An act to prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquors within five miles of certain institutions," upon the following proposition:

First. The constitutionality of the act.

Second. Is the act a local act, necessitating a referendum clause attached to make the same valid?

The resolution was adopted.

Mr. Palmer made written request for the printing of

House bill No. 368, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1, 2, 4, 16, 17, 18, 19, 21, 22, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 34, 35, 36, 39, 41 and 55 of Act No. 281 of the Public Acts of the State of Michigan for the year 1909, entitled "An act relative to the nomination of party candidates for public office and delegates to political conventions, to regulate primary elections and to prescribe penalties for violations of its provisions, and to provide for the printing upon election ballots of the names of candidates nominated under the terms of this act, and to repeal Act No. 4 of the Public Acts of the Extra Session of the year 1907, and all local primary election acts contravening the provisions of this act, except as in this act otherwise provided," as amended by Act No. 279 of the Public Acts of 1911 and by Act No. 118 of the Public Acts of 1913, and to add six new sections to said act to stand as sections 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 thereof.

The request was referred to the Committee on Printing.

Mr. Stevens made written request for the printing of House bill No. 380, entitled

A bill to provide for the incorporation of farm land banks and prescribing their powers and duties; to provide for the issuing of bonds by such institutions; exempting such banks and the bonds issued thereby from taxation; and to provide for the examination and regulation of such banks by the Commissioner of Banking.

The request was referred to the Committee on Printing.

Mr. Empson moved that when the House adjourns today it stand adjourned until tomorrow at 1:00 o'clock p. m.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Empson moved that the House adjourn.
The motion did not prevail.

GENERAL ORDERS OF THE DAY.

Mr. Palmer moved that the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole on the general orders.

The motion prevailed.

The Speaker called Mr. Palmer to the chair.

After a time spent in the consideration of bills upon the general orders, the committee rose, and, through its chairman, made a report recommending the passage, without amendment, of the following entitled bill:

House bill No. 53 (file No. 88), entitled

A bill to provide a tax to meet the amounts disbursed by the State for the current expenses of the Michigan State Prison, the State House of Correction and Branch Prison in the Upper Peninsula and the Michigan Reformatory.

The bill was placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

The Committee of the Whole reported
House bill No. 30 (file No. 17), entitled

A bill to define what shall constitute partnerships; the relation of partners to persons dealing with the partnerships; the relation of partners to one another; to provide for the dissolution and winding up of partnerships; and to make uniform the law relating thereto.

Recommending the adoption of the following amendments thereto, and the passage of the bill when so amended:

1. Amend by striking out of line 16 of section 40 of part VI the word "seventeen" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "eighteen."

2. Amend by striking out of line 22 of section 31 of part VI the words "thirty-one" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "thirty-two."

3. Amend by striking out subdivision 1 of section 41 of part VI and inserting in lieu thereof the following: "(1) When any new partner is admitted into an existing partnership, or when any partner retires and assigns (or the representative of the deceased partner assigns) his rights in partnership property to two or more of the partners, or to one or more of the partners and one or more third persons, if the business is continued without liquidation of the partnership affairs, creditors of the first or dissolved partnership are also creditors of the partnership so continuing the business."

The question being on the adoption of the proposed amendments made by the committee,

The amendments were adopted and the bill was placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

The Committee of the Whole reported

House bill No. 302 (file No. 91), entitled

A bill to authorize the general laws of this State, entitled "Howell's Annotated Statutes of the State of Michigan, Second Edition," to be received and used in evidence.

Recommending the adoption of the following amendment thereto.

1. Amend by striking out of line 4 of section 1, the word "shall" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "may."

And further recommending that, as thus amended, all after the enacting clause of the bill, be stricken out.

The question being on concurring in the amendment made by the committee,

The amendment was concurred in.

The question being on the further recommendation made by the committee, that all after the enacting clause be stricken out,

Mr. Flowers demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was seconded.

The recommendation made by the committee was not concurred in, a majority of all the members present not voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amos
Anderson
Averill
Bosch
Chapin
Croll
De Boer
Evans
Follett
Ford, R. L.

Mr. Green
Hinkley
Hulse
Jones
Kemmerling
Koehler
Leland
McMillan
Matthews
Moore

Mr. Nelson
Oakley
Olmsted
Person
Quintel
Reed, C. J.
Rice
Root
Ross
Schmidt

Mr. Sherman
Sly
Smith, F. A.
Stevens
Tufts
Van Antwerp
Vine
Whiteley
Wieland
Wolcott

NAYS.

Mr. Ashley	Mr. Gayde	Mr. Ormsbee	Mr. Sours
Biggerstaff	Gettel	Palmer	Stevenson
Clark	Haviland	Petermann	Sutton
Culver	Henry	Place	Symonds
Daigneau	Hoffman	Pray	Warner
Daprato	Hopkins	Read, Thos.	Watkins
Edwards	Jerome, J. D.	Robertson	Wells
Empson	Kooyers	Rogers	Wiley
Ewing	Lamphere	Shields	Wood
Flowers	Lewis	Smith, Newel	Woodruff
Foote	Martin	Smith, S. J.	Wright
Ford, Sheridan	Nank	Snow	Speaker
Francis	O'Brien		

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Pending the announcement of the vote upon the bill,
 Mr. Flowers demanded the vote of Mr. Leland.
 Mr. Leland voted yea and was so recorded.
 Mr. Oakley demanded the vote of Mr. Vine.
 Mr. Vine voted yea and was so recorded.
 Mr. Oakley demanded the vote of Mr. Rogers.
 Mr. Rogers voted nay and was so recorded.
 The bill was placed upon the order of Third Reading of Bills.

Mr. Clark moved that the House adjourn.

The motion prevailed, the time being 4:53 o'clock p. m.

The Speaker declared the House adjourned until tomorrow at 1:00 o'clock p. m.

CHARLES S. PIERCE,
 Clerk of the House of Representatives.

FORTY-EIGHTH DAY.

Lansing, Thursday, March 18.

2:00 o'clock p. m.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

Religious exercises were conducted by Rev. Reuben Crosby, of the First Methodist Episcopal Church, of Hancock.

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk, who announced that a quorum was present.

Messrs. Miller and Quintel were absent with leave.

Messrs. Foote, Griggs, Martz, Petermann, Sherman and Stevenson were absent without leave.

Mr. Nank moved that an indefinite leave of absence be granted Messrs. Foote and Petermann.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Wieland moved that Mr. Griggs be excused from today's and tomorrow's sessions.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. DeBoer moved that Mr. Stevenson be excused from today's and tomorrow's sessions.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Oakley moved that all other absentees be excused from today's session.

The motion prevailed.

Messrs. Haviland, Edwards, Gettel and Sly asked and obtained indefinite leaves of absence after today's session.

Messrs. Koehler, Woodruff and Jones asked and obtained leaves of absence from tomorrow's session.

Mr. Bosch asked and obtained a leave of absence from Friday's and Monday's sessions.

Mr. Averill moved that when the House adjourns today it stand adjourned until tomorrow at 9:00 o'clock a. m.

The motion prevailed.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

Mr. Oakley presented

Petition No. 906.

Petition of M. M. Andrews and 44 other citizens of Bay City, Bay county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 64, relative to a retirement fund for teachers.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Oakley presented

Petition No. 907.

Petition of Miss Helen MacGregor and 23 other teachers of Bay City, Bay county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 64, relative to a retirement fund for teachers.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Wolcott presented

Petition No. 908.

Petition of M. E. Follette and 28 other citizens of Calhoun county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Place presented

Petition No. 909.

Petition of Howard Decker and 7 other citizens of Colon, St. Joseph county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Place presented

Petition No. 910.

Petition of C. A. McLain and 71 other citizens of Three Rivers, St. Joseph county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 65, relative to the reading of the Holy Bible in the public schools of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Wright presented

Petition No. 911.

Petition of John Miller and 4 other citizens of Temperance and

Dundee, Monroe county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Lewis presented

Petition No. 912.

Petition of W. H. Robin and 67 other citizens of Van Buren county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 65, relative to the reading of the Holy Bible in the public schools of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Wright presented

Petition No. 913.

Petition of Jas. W. Riley and 2 other citizens of Ypsilanti, Washtenaw county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Wood presented

Petition No. 914.

Petition of F. L. Sanford and 5 other citizens of Jackson, Jackson county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Frank A. Smith presented

Petition No. 915.

Protest of C. W. Bentley and 13 other citizens of Lake county, against any increase in the rate of passenger fares charged by the railroads of the State.

The protest was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Biggerstaff presented

Petition No. 916.

Resolutions adopted by the Kalamazoo Real Estate Exchange of Kalamazoo, Kalamazoo county, protesting against the passage of House bill No. 142, commonly known as the "Torrens bill," providing for the simplifying of the transfer of real estate.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

The Speaker presented

Petition No. 917.

Petition of Geo. A. Litus and 51 other citizens of Imlay, Lapeer county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 337, providing for and limiting the taxes to be spread and assessed against property within the limits of an incorporated village.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Chapin presented

Petition No. 918.

Petition of Warren W. Lamport and 54 other citizens of Antrim county, in favor of the passage of Senate bill No. 91 (file No. 64), rela-

tive to providing for procedure in courts of chancery, to enjoin and abate houses of lewdness, assignation and prostitution.

The petition was referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY CLERK OF PRINTING OF BILLS.

The Clerk announced that the following named bills had been printed and placed upon the files of the members Thursday, March 18:

Senate bill 248 (file No. 199), entitled

A bill to amend sections 62, 66 and 68 of Act No. 84 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to increase the efficiency of the military establishment of the State of Michigan, to make an appropriation therefor, and to repeal all former acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act."

Senate bill 249 (file No. 200), entitled

A bill relative to the nomination of party candidates for public office; to provide for the printing of names of candidates upon the official primary ballot; to prescribe the form of such ballot; to regulate the manner of conducting primary elections and certifying the names of candidates nominated thereat; to provide for the printing upon election ballots of the names of candidates nominated at such primary election; to prescribe penalties for a violation of the provisions of this act and to repeal Act No. 281 of the Public Acts of 1909, approved June 2, 1909, as amended by Act No. 279 of the Public Acts of 1911, Acts Nos. 13 and 118 of the Public Acts of 1913, and all local and other primary election acts and parts of acts contravening the provisions of this act, except as in this act otherwise provided.

Senate bill 260 (file No. 201), entitled

A bill relative to appeals from judgments in justices' courts and fixing the amount of judgments from which an appeal may be taken.

Senate bill 176 (file No. 202), entitled

A bill to amend the title and sections 1 and 15 of Act No. 257 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to regulate the construction and operation of moving picture shows and theatres showing moving pictures, in which celluloid films are used, to provide for an inspection fee for operating the same and to place supervision of such shows and theatres under the department of the State Fire Marshal."

House bill No. 36 (file No. 116), entitled

A bill to make an appropriation for the Michigan State Prison at Jackson, Michigan, for general repairs and special purposes for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

House bill No. 257 (file No. 117), entitled

A bill to provide for the organization of mutual insurance companies to do a general automobile insurance business; to prescribe their powers and duties and to regulate the same.

The Clerk announced the enrollment printing and the presentation to the Governor, on March 17, for his approval, of the following named bill:

House bill No. 14 (file No. 22), enrolled No. 16, entitled

A bill to amend section 4 of Act No. 205 of the Public Acts of 1887, entitled "An act to revise the laws authorizing the business of banking, and to establish a Banking Department for the supervision of such business," being section 6093 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by Act No. 11, of the Public Acts of 1913, to enable State banks to become member banks under the Federal Reserve act.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Ways and Means, by Mr. Hinkley, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 67, entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the Michigan Soldiers' Home for building and special purposes and for the refunding of excess pension money, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1916, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

With the following amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in and that when so amended the bill pass:

1. Amend by striking out all of section 2, and renumbering sections 3 and 4 to stand as sections 2 and 3.

2. Amend by striking out of lines 2 and 3 of section 4 the words "forty-two thousand" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "twenty-five thousand."

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the amendments to the bill recommended by the committee,

The amendments were adopted.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Ways and Means, by Mr. Hinkley, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 133, entitled

A bill to amend section 28 and section 29 of Act No. 278 of the Public Acts of 1907, entitled "An act to organize a State Psychopathic Hospital, to provide for the management thereof and making an appropriation therefor, and to repeal Act 161 of the Public Acts of 1901, and Act 140 of the Public Acts of 1905."

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Ways and Means, by Mr. Hinkley, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 177, entitled

A bill making appropriations for current expenses and for special purposes for the Michigan College of Mines at Houghton, for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

With a substitute therefor, having the same title.

Recommending that the substitute be concurred in and that the bill as substituted pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the proposed substitute recommended by the committee,

The substitute was adopted.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Ways and Means, by Mr. Hinkley, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 92, entitled

A bill making appropriations for the Northern State Normal School for current expenses and for special purposes for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, and provide a tax to meet the same.

With a substitute therefor, having the same title.

Recommending that the substitute be concurred in and that the bill as substituted pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the proposed substitute recommended by the committee,

The substitute was adopted.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Ways and Means, by Mr. Hinkley, Chairman, reported

Senate bill No. 2 (file No. 2), entitled

A bill to prevent fraud in the sale and disposition of stocks, bonds or other securities sold or offered for sale within the State of Michigan by any dealer, firm, company, association or corporation, foreign or domestic, by requiring an inspection of such stocks, bonds, or other securities and an inspection of the business of such persons, firms, companies, associations or corporations, including dealers and agents, and such regulation and supervision of the business of said persons, firms, companies, associations, or corporations, including dealers and agents, as may be necessary to prevent fraud in the sale within the State, of any stocks, bonds or other securities, and to provide a penalty for the violation thereof, and repeal Act No. 143 of the Public Acts of 1913, approved May 2, 1913, and all other acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Public Health, by Mr. Newel Smith, Chairman, reported

Senate bill No. 123 (file No. 85), entitled

A bill to provide for the appointment of a collection and deportation agent in connection with the State hospitals of Michigan.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Public Health, by Mr. Newel Smith, Chairman, reported

Senate bill No. 125 (file No. 134), entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of Act No. 81 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to provide for the treatment in certain institutions of this State of persons desiring and applying for treatment for mental disorders."

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Public Health, by Mr. Newel Smith, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 336, entitled

A bill to amend section 6 of Act No. 217 of the Public Acts of 1897, entitled "An act to provide for the registration of deaths in Michigan and requiring certificates of death," being compiler's section 4619 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Public Health, by Mr. Newel Smith, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 94, entitled

A bill to amend Act 146 of the Public Acts of 1879, entitled "An act to authorize boards of health of cities, villages and townships to furnish vaccination to the inhabitants thereof," approved February 15, 1879, being compiler's section 4465 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Public Health, by Mr. Newel Smith, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 166, entitled

A bill to provide for pasteurizing the by-products of cheese factories, creameries, skimming stations and other places where milk is received and distributed.

With the recommendation that the bill be referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the recommendation of the committee,

The recommendation was concurred in, and the bill was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

The Committee on Public Health, by Mr. Newel Smith, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 300, entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of Act No. 280 of the Public Acts of 1907, entitled "An act to regulate the sampling and testing of milk and cream and the use of the Babcock test and to make the violation of any provisions thereof a misdemeanor."

With the recommendation that the bill be referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the recommendation of the committee,

The recommendation was concurred in, and the bill was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

The Committee on Printing, by Mr. VanAntwerp, Chairman, reported

The written request of Mr. Daigneau for the printing of

House bill No. 213 entitled

A bill to authorize the formation of corporations for the purpose of controlling and utilizing flood waters under the direction of the Railroad Commission.

With the recommendation that the request be granted.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the recommendation of the committee,

The recommendation was concurred in, and the bill ordered printed.

The Committee on Printing, by Mr. VanAntwerp, Chairman, reported

The written request of Mr. Evens for the printing of

House bill No. 329, entitled

A bill to amend Act No. 206 of the Public Acts of 1893, as amended, entitled "An act to provide for the assessment of property and the levy and collection of taxes thereon, and for the collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied; making such taxes a lien on the lands taxed, establishing and continuing such lien, providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes, and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the State and not redeemed or purchased; and to repeal Act No. 200 of the Public Acts of 1891, and all other acts and parts of acts in anywise contravening any of the provisions of this act," by adding a new section thereto to be known as section 25a, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the terms of this act.

With the recommendation that the request be granted.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the recommendation of the committee,

The recommendation was concurred in, and the bill ordered printed.

The Committee on Printing, by Mr. VanAntwerp, Chairman, reported

The written request of Mr. Sly for the printing of

House bill No. 132, entitled

A bill to make an appropriation for the Mackinac Island State park and for the Michilimackinac State park for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

With the recommendation that the request be granted.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the recommendation of the committee,

The recommendation was concurred in, and the bill ordered printed.

The Committee on Printing, by Mr. VanAntwerp, Chairman, reported
The written request of Mr. Martin for the printing of
House bill No. 328, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1 and 9 of chapter 138 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, entitled "An act to provide for the taxation and regulation of the business of manufacturing, selling, keeping for sale, furnishing, giving or delivering spirituous and intoxicating liquors, and malt, brewed, or fermented liquors and vinous liquors in this State, and to repeal all acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act," as amended, being compiler's sections 5379 and 5378 of the Compiled Laws of 1897."

With the recommendation that the request be granted.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the recommendation of the committee,

The recommendation was concurred in, and the bill ordered printed.

The Committee on Judiciary, by Mr. Flowers, Chairman, reported
House bill No. 341, entitled

A bill to amend section 97 of chapter 90 of title XXI of the Revised Statutes of 1846 of the State of Michigan, being compiler's section No. 502 of the Compiled Laws of the State of Michigan of 1897, relating to the powers of courts of chancery to stay proceedings at law.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Judiciary, by Mr. Flowers, Chairman, reported
House bill No. 363, entitled

A bill to amend section 6 of chapter 28 of Act No. 183 of the Public Acts of 1897, approved May 29, 1897, being an act entitled "An act to provide for the appointment and to fix the term of office, duties and compensation of circuit court stenographers in the State of Michigan," being compiler's section 368 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Judiciary, by Mr. Flowers, Chairman, reported
House bill No. 272, entitled

A bill to amend section 16 of chapter 330 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, entitled "Of the arrest and examination of offenders, commitment for trial and taking bail," being compiler's section 11853 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

With a substitute therefor, entitled

A bill to amend section 16 of chapter 163 of the Revised Statutes of Michigan of 1846, entitled "Of the arrest and examination of offenders, commitment for trial and taking bail," being compiler's section 11853 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

Recommending that the substitute be concurred in and that the bill as substituted pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the proposed substitute recommended by the committee.

The substitute was adopted.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Public Lands and Forestry Interests, by Mr. Whiteley, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 334, entitled

A bill to amend sections 6 and 12 of Act 135 of the Public Acts of 1911, entitled "An act to encourage private forestry, the care and management thereof, and to provide for the exemption from taxation of such private forest reserve."

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Public Lands and Forestry Interests, by Mr. Whiteley, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 344, entitled

A bill to amend section 5 of Act No. 326 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to provide for the leasing, control and taxation of certain lands owned and controlled by this State and the improvements thereon; providing penalties for the violation of certain provisions thereof, and repealing Act No. 215 of the Public Acts of 1909, and all other acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith," and to add to said act four new sections to stand as sections 27, 28, 29 and 30.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Fish and Fisheries, by Mr. McMillan, chairman, reported

House bill No. 333, entitled

A bill making appropriations for the State Board of Fish Commissioners for current expenses and for building and special purposes for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The Committee on Industrial Home for Girls, by Mr. Hoffman, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 322, entitled

A bill to provide for the transfer to the enlarging hospital fund of a certain unexpended appropriation for the Industrial Home for Girls. With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR.

A message was received from the Governor informing the House of Representatives that on Thursday, March 17, he had approved.

House bill No. 125 (file No. 29), enrolled No. 14, entitled

A bill to amend section 28 of Act No. 182 of the Public Acts of 1885, entitled "An act to provide for the appointment of a State Live Stock Sanitary Commission and a State Veterinarian, and to prescribe their powers and duties, and to prevent and suppress contagious and infectious diseases among the live stock of the State," as last amended by Act No. 199 of the Public Acts of 1913, and to add four new sections thereto to stand as sections 29, 30, 31 and 32; relative to the suppression of hog cholera.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

A message was received from the Senate returning

House bill No. 113 (file No. 46), entitled

A bill to amend section 10 of chapter 3 of Act No. 283 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to revise, consolidate and add to the laws relating to the establishment, opening, improvement, maintenance and use of the public highways and private roads, the condemnation of property and gravel therefor; the building, repairing and preservation of bridges, setting and protecting shade trees, drainage, cutting weeds and brush within this State, and providing for the election and defining the powers, duties and compensation of State, county, township and district highway officials," approved June 2, 1909, as last amended by Act No. 355 of the Public Acts of 1913; relative to number of signers to applications for submission of question of bond issue in good roads districts.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill.

The bill was referred to the Clerk for enrollment printing and presentation to the Governor.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting

Senate bill No. 164 (file No. 118), entitled

A bill legalizing gifts, grants, bequests and devises to religious, educational, charitable or benevolent uses, or for cemeteries, which would be otherwise invalid by reason of indefiniteness or uncertainty of the object of such trust or of the persons designated as the beneficiaries thereunder in the instrument creating the same or by reason of contra-

vening any statute or rule against perpetuities; and regulating the same; and repealing Act 122 of the Public Acts of 1907, and all amendments thereto.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting Senate bill No. 114 (file No. 160), entitled

A bill to amend Act No. 98 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act providing for the supervision and control by the State Board of Health over waterworks systems and sewage disposal systems, and providing for the appointment, duties, salary and expenses of a State sanitary engineer, and providing penalties and defining liabilities for violations of this act; and to repeal Act No. 28 of the Public Acts of 1909," by adding thereto a new section to be known as section 14, relative to the appointment of assistant sanitary engineers.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Public Health.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting Senate bill No. 219 (file No. 168), entitled

A bill to amend section 94 of chapter 10 of the Compiled Laws of 1857, said chapter being entitled "Of County Officers," being section 2615 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Towns and Counties.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting Senate bill No. 55 (file No. 165), entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of Act No. 334 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to provide for the establishment, survey, improvement and maintenance of State reward trunk line highways, to provide for the payment of double State reward thereon, to define the duties of State, county, good roads district and township officers in regard thereto, and to appropriate funds to carry out the provisions thereof," approved May 13, 1913.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Roads and Bridges.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Flowers introduced

House bill No. 381, entitled

A bill making an additional appropriation for the department of the

Attorney General for the fiscal year ending June 30th, 1916, and the fiscal year ending June 30th, 1917.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Root introduced

House bill No. 382, entitled

A bill to amend section 19 of chapter 4 of Act No. 283 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to revise, consolidate and add to the laws relating to the establishment, opening, improvement, maintenance and use of the public highways and private roads, the condemnation of property and gravel therefor; the building and repairing and preservation of bridges; setting and protecting shade trees, drainage, cutting weeds and brush within this State, and providing for the election and defining the powers, duties and compensation of State, county, township and district highway officials," as last amended by Act 355 of the Public Acts of 1913, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts contravening the provisions of this act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Roads and Bridges.

Mr. Empson arose to a question of personal privilege for the purpose of correcting a misunderstanding, by certain members, of some remarks made by him on the floor of the house yesterday when the so-called Howell's Annotated Statutes bill was under consideration. Mr. Empson stated that some members had evidently understood him to criticize the index gotten out in 1906 to the Compiled Laws of 1897. He said that what he did criticize was the index gotten out in 1897, at the time the laws were compiled; and that he had commended the index gotten out in 1906 by Charles S. Pierce, Paul H. King and Mrs. Ada B. Shier. To make clearer the meaning he intended to convey yesterday, he wished to say now that if the Compiled Laws of 1897 and the index made at that time had been prepared with the same care as was the index of 1906, there would have been no necessity for the making of the later index.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 53 (file No. 88), entitled

A bill to provide a tax to meet the amounts disbursed by the State for the current expenses of the Michigan State Prison, the State House of Correction and Branch Prison in the Upper Peninsula and the Michigan Reformatory.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Francis	Mr. Moore	Mr. Smith, F. A.
Anderson	Gayde	Nank	Smith, Newel
Ashley	Gettel	Nelson	Smith, S. J.
Averill	Green	Oakley	Snow
Biggerstaff	Haviland	O'Brien	Stevens
Bosch	Henry	Olmsted	Sutton
Chapin	Hinkley	Ormsbee	Symonds
Clark	Hoffman	Palmer	Tufts
Cowan	Hopkins	Penney	Van Antwerp
Croll	Hulse	Person	Vine
Culver	Jerome, J. D.	Place	Ward
Daigneau	Jerome, W. F.	Pray	Warner
Daprato	Jones	Read, Thos.	Watkins
De Boer	Keen	Reed, C. J.	Weissert
Edwards	Kemmerling	Rice	Wells
Empson	Koehler	Robertson	Whiteley
Evens	Kooyers	Rogers	Wieland
Ewing	Lamphere	Root	Wiley
Flowers	Leland	Ross	Wolcott
Follett	Lewis	Schmidt	Wood
Ford, R. L.	Martin	Shields	Wright
Ford, Sheridan	Matthews	Sly	Speaker

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

House bill No. 235 (file No. 83), entitled

A bill to amend section 7 of Act No. 168 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to provide for a State superintendent of weights and measures, State, county and city sealers and inspection of weights and measures, prescribing their powers and duties, providing penalties for fraud and deception in the use of false weights and measures and confiscation thereof, and repealing sections 4882 to 4897 inclusive of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

Was read a third time and, the question being on its passage,

Mr. Follett moved to amend the bill

By inserting in line 2 of section 7 after the second word "the" the word "managing."

The motion prevailed and the amendment was adopted, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor.

Mr. Follett moved to amend the bill

2. By inserting in line 10, also in line 14, of section 7 after the word "the" the word "managing."

The motion prevailed and the amendment was adopted, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor.

Mr. S. J. Smith moved to amend the bill

3. By striking out of line 6 of section 7 the word "five" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "two."

The motion did not prevail and the amendment was not adopted, a majority of all the members-elect not voting therefor.

The bill was then not passed, a majority of all the members-elect not voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Ashley	Mr. Hulise	Mr. Oakley	Mr. Stevens
Averill	Jerome, Jas. D.	Ormsbee	Tufts
Chapin	Jerome, W. F.	Penney	Van Antwerp
Cowan	Jones	Person	Ward
De Boer	Keen	Pray	Warner
Ewing	Kooyers	Reed, C. J.	Watkins
Follett	Lewis	Rice	Wells
Ford, R. L.	Martin	Rogers	Whiteley
Green	Matthews	Schmidt	Wolcott
Haviland	Moore	Smith, F. A.	Wood
Henry	Nank		

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Mr. Amon	Mr. Flowers	Mr. McMillan	Mr. Smith, Newel
Anderson	Ford, Sheridan	Nelson	Smith, S. J.
Biggerstaff	Francis	O'Brien	Snow
Bosch	Gayde	Olmsted	Sutton
Clark	Gettel	Palmer	Symonds
Croll	Hinkley	Place	Vine
Culver	Hoffman	Read, Thos.	Weissert
Daigneau	Hopkins	Robertson	Wieland
Daprato	Kemmerling	Root	Wiley
Edwards	Koehler	Ross	Woodruff
Empson	Lamphere	Shields	Wright
Evans	Leland	Sly	Speaker

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House bill No. 30 (file No. 17), entitled

A bill to define what shall constitute partnerships; the relation of partners to persons dealing with the partnership; the relation of partners to one another; to provide for the dissolution and winding up of partnerships; and to make uniform the law relating thereto.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Francis	Mr. Matthews	Mr. Smith, Newel
Anderson	Gayde	Moore	Smith, S. J.
Ashley	Gettel	Nank	Snow
Averill	Green	Oakley	Sours
Biggerstaff	Henry	O'Brien	Stevens
Bosch	Hinkley	Olmsted	Sutton
Chapin	Hoffman	Ormsbee	Symonds
Clark	Hopkins	Penney	Tufts
Cowan	Hulise	Person	Vine
Croll	Jerome, J. D.	Place	Warner
Culver	Jerome, W. F.	Pray	Watkins
Daigneau	Jones	Reed, C. J.	Weissert
Daprato	Keen	Rice	Wells
De Boer	Kemmerling	Robertson	Whiteley
Edwards	Koehler	Rogers	Wieland
Evans	Kooyers	Root	Wiley
Ewing	Lamphere	Ross	Wolcott
Flowers	Leland	Schmidt	Wood
Ford, R. L.	McMillan	Shields	Wright
Ford, Sheridan	Martin	Sly	Speaker

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Mr. Empson
Follett

Mr. Lewis

Mr. Palmer

Mr. Smith, F. A.

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Oakley made written request for the printing of House bill No. 365, entitled

A bill to protect the lives, health and morals of women workers; to establish a minimum wage commission therefor, and to define its powers and duties; to provide for the fixing of minimum wages for such workers, and to provide penalties for the violation of the same; for publicity; and to make an appropriation therefor.

The request was referred to the Committee on Printing.

Mr. James D. Jerome moved that House bill No. 192 (file No. 85), entitled

A bill to amend sections 4, 14, 16, 18, 19 and 22 of an act entitled "An act to regulate the practice of pharmacy in the State of Michigan," same being Act No. 134 of the Public Acts of 1885, approved June 2, 1885, as amended by Act No. 332 of the Public Acts of 1905, approved June 20, 1905.

Be taken from the table.

The motion did not prevail.

GENERAL ORDERS OF THE DAY.

Mr. Kemmerling moved that the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole on the General Orders.

The motion prevailed.

The Speaker called Mr. Kemmerling to the chair.

After a time spent in the consideration of bills upon the general orders, the committee rose, and, through its chairman, made a report recommending the passage, without amendment, of the following entitled bill:

Senate bill No. 23 (file No. 154), entitled

A bill to repeal Act No. 181 of the Public Acts of 1897, being compiler's section No. 4791 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, entitled "An act to prescribe and define a course of studies to be taught in the district schools in this State which shall be known as the agricultural college course."

The bill was placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

The Committee of the Whole reported

Senate bill No. 67 (file No. 155), entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of Act No. 112 of the Public Acts of 1909,

entitled "An act to authorize the county commissioner of schools in each county to call a meeting of the school officers of the county."

Recommending the adoption of the following amendment thereto, and the passage of the bill when so amended:

1. Amend by inserting in line 3 of section 2 after the word "allowed" the words "two dollars per day and."

The question being on the adoption of the proposed amendment made by the committee,

The amendment was adopted and the bill was placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

The Committee of the Whole reported

Senate bill No. 42 (file No. 35), entitled

A bill to prohibit the selling, giving, or furnishing of cigarettes to minors, to prohibit the use of cigarettes by minors, and prohibiting the harboring of minors for the purpose of indulging in the use of cigarettes.

Recommending the adoption of a substitute therefor, entitled

A bill to prohibit the manufacture, sale, keeping for sale or giving away cigarettes, cigarette papers or wrappers or other substitutes therefor, and providing a penalty for the violation thereof.

The question being on the adoption of the proposed substitute,

The substitute was adopted, and the bill as substituted was placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

The Committee of the Whole reported

House bill No. 245 (file No. 95), entitled

A bill to regulate the receiving of gifts and gratuities by employees of agricultural societies and others.

Recommending that all after the enacting clause be stricken out.

The recommendation was concurred in, and all after the enacting clause of the bill was stricken out.

The Committee of the Whole reported

Senate bill No. 104 (file No. 76), entitled

A bill to regulate the planting of nut-bearing or fruit trees along the highways of the State of Michigan, for the maintenance, protection and care thereof, and to provide a penalty for injury to said trees and for stealing the products thereof.

Recommending the adoption of the following amendment thereto:

1. Amend by striking out of lines 3 and 4 of section 1 the words "within a limit of 10 feet of the border," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "twenty-five feet from the center."

And further recommending that the bill, as thus amended, be referred to the Committee on Horticulture.

The question being on the adoption of the proposed amendment made by the committee,

The amendment was adopted.

The question being on the further recommendation made by the committee that the bill be re-referred to the Committee on Horticulture,

The recommendation was concurred in and the bill so referred.

The Committee of the Whole reported
House bill No. 151 (file No. 102), entitled

A bill to amend Act No. 10, Public Acts of 1912, entitled "An act to promote the welfare of the people of this State relating to the liability of employers for injuries or death sustained by their employes; providing compensation for the accidental injury to or death of employes and methods for the payment of the same; establishing an Industrial Accident Board; defining its powers, providing for a review of its awards; making an appropriation to carry out the provisions of this act, and restricting the right to compensation or damages in such cases to such as are provided by this act," approved March 20, 1912, by adding to part 1 thereof a new section to be known as section 9 relative to contractors and adding to part 2 thereof four new sections to be known as sections 23, 24, 25 and 26, providing compensation for occupational diseases and disfigurement, and relative to costs and previous partial disability and by amending section 7 of part 1, sections 4, 6, 9, 10 and 11 of part 2, section 1 of part 4, and section 3 of part 6.

Recommending that the bill be re-referred to the Committee on Labor.
The recommendation was concurred in, and the bill was so referred.

Mr. Hinkley moved that when the House adjourns tomorrow it stand adjourned until Monday at 8:30 o'clock p. m.

The motion prevailed.

By unanimous consent, the House returned to the order of

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Towns and Counties, by Mr. Haviland, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 275, entitled

A bill to provide a method for the election of county superintendents of the poor in counties so desiring to elect such officials.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Towns and Counties, by Mr. Haviland, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 236, entitled

A bill to provide for the licensing by the township boards of billiard and pool rooms outside of incorporated cities and villages.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Fish and Fisheries, by Mr. McMillan, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 358, entitled

A bill to provide for an angler's license to take or catch or attempt to take or catch fish with a hook and line in the lakes and streams within the jurisdiction of the State of Michigan, to provide that non-resident licensees may take from the State a day's legal catch, to provide for the sale and issuing of licenses, to provide a penalty for the violation of any of the provisions of this act, and to authorize and regulate the disbursement of fees collected thereunder, and to repeal Act 329 of the Public Acts of 1913.

With the following amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in and that when so amended the bill pass:

1. Amend by inserting in line 1 of section 2 after the word "deputies" the words "all city, village or township clerks who may apply therefor."

2. Amend by inserting in line 7 of section 2 after the word "clerks" the words "all city, village or township clerks who may apply therefor."

3. Amend by inserting in line 21, of section 3 after the word "deputies" the words "city, village and township clerks."

4. Amend by inserting in line 2 of section 6 after the word "clerk" the words "each village and township clerk."

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the amendments to the bill recommended by the committee,

The amendments were adopted.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Printing, by Mr. VanAntwerp, Chairman, reported
The written request of Mr. Palmer for the printing of

House bill No. 368, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1, 2, 4, 16, 17, 18, 19, 21, 22, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 34, 35, 36, 39, 41 and 55 of Act No. 281 of the Public Acts of the State of Michigan for the year 1909, entitled "An act relative to the nomination of party candidates for public office and delegates to political conventions, to regulate primary elections and to prescribe penalties for violations of its provisions, and to provide for the printing upon election ballots of the names of candidates nominated under the terms of this act, and to repeal Act No. 4 of the Public Acts of the Extra Session of the year 1907, and all local primary election acts contravening the provisions of this act, except as in this act otherwise provided," as amended by Act No. 279 of the Public Acts of 1911 and by Act No. 118 of the Public Acts of 1913, and to add six new sections to said act to stand as sections 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 thereof.

With the recommendation that the request be granted.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the recommendation of the committee,

The recommendation was concurred in, and the bill ordered printed.

The Committee on Printing, by Mr. VanAntwerp, Chairman, reported
The written request of Mr. Ross for the printing of

House bill No. 325, entitled

A bill to provide for the appointment of a Dairy and Food Commis-

sioner by the State Board of Agriculture, to prescribe the powers and duties and fix the salary of such Dairy and Food Commissioner, his deputy, clerks, assistants and inspectors, providing an appropriation therefor and a tax to meet the same, and to repeal sections 1, 2 and 3 of Act No. 211 of the Public Acts of 1893, as amended, and all other acts and parts of acts contravening the provisions of this act.

With the recommendation that the request be granted.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the recommendation of the committee,

The recommendation was concurred in, and the bill ordered printed.

The Committee on Printing, by Mr. VanAntwerp, Chairman, reported The written request of Mr. Stevens for the printing of House bill No. 380, entitled

A bill to provide for the incorporation of farm land banks and prescribing their powers and duties; to provide for the issuing of bonds by such institutions; exempting such banks and the bonds issued thereby from taxation; and to provide for the examination and regulation of such banks by the Commissioner of Banking.

With the recommendation that the request be granted.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the recommendation of the committee,

The recommendation was concurred in, and the bill ordered printed.

Mr. Ormsbee moved that the House adjourn.

The motion prevailed, the time being 3:02 o'clock p. m.

The Speaker declared the House adjourned until tomorrow at 9:00 o'clock a. m.

CHARLES S. PIERCE,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.

FORTY-NINTH DAY.

Lansing, Friday, March 19.

9 o'clock a. m.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

Religious exercises were conducted by Rev. Father F. A. O'Connor, of St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church, of Lansing.

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk, who announced that a quorum was present.

Messrs. Bosch, Edwards, Foote, Gettel, Griggs, Haviland, Jones, Koehler, Miller, Petermann, Quintel, Sly, Stevenson and Woodruff were absent with leave.

Messrs. Sheridan Ford, James D. Jerome, Lamphere, Martz, Palmer, Thomas Read, Rice and Sherman were absent without leave.

Mr. Averill moved that all absentees without leave be excused from today's session.

The motion prevailed.

The Speaker presented the following communication, which was read by the Clerk:

Hon. Charles W. Smith, Speaker of the House of Representatives:

I desire in this way to express to you and the members of the House my own deep appreciation, as well as that of all other members of my family, for the kindly expression of sympathy, and also for the beautiful flowers, which we received from this honorable body at the time of our late bereavement.

Sincerely,
ALEX COWAN.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

Mr. Evens presented

Petition No. 919.

Resolutions adopted by Bronson Grange No. 91, of Bronson, Branch county, favoring the passage of House bill No. 9, relative to mutual telephone companies.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. Gayde presented

Petition No. 920.

Petition of Chas. F. Reebbs and 14 other citizens of Plymouth, Wayne county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 64, relative to a retirement fund for teachers.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Lewis presented

Petition No. 921.

Petition of G. J. McGowan and 7 other citizens of Van Buren county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 65, relative to the reading of the Holy Bible in the public schools of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. William F. Jerome presented

Petition No. 922.

Petition of Allan W. Peters and 46 other citizens of Detroit, Wayne county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 117 (file No. 55), relative to providing for the taxation, licensing and regulation of the business of manufacturing, sale, etc., of spirituous and intoxicating liquors in this State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Stevens presented

Petition No. 923.

Petition of Wesley J. Miller and 56 other citizens of Applegate, Sanilac county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 337, providing for and limiting the taxes to be spread and assessed against property within the limits of an incorporated village.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Stevens presented

Petition No. 924.

Petition of E. R. McGraw and 37 other citizens of Highland Park, Wayne county, requesting the passage of a bill, prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors within a radius of five miles of certain educational institutions of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Stevens presented

Petition No. 925.

Petition of E. H. Wilcox and 17 other citizens of Oak Grove, Livingston county, requesting the passage of a bill, prohibiting the sale

of intoxicating liquors within a radius of five miles of certain educational institutions of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Stevens presented

Petition No. 926.

Petition of Francis Williams and 87 other citizens of Laurium, Houghton county, requesting the passage of a bill, prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors within a radius of five miles of certain educational institutions of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Frank A. Smith presented

Petition No. 927.

Protest of A. J. Clark and 16 other citizens of Manton, Wexford county, against any increase in the rate of passenger fares charged by the railroads of the State.

The protest was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Keen presented

Petition No. 928.

Petition of A. E. Clark and 49 other citizens of Shepherd, Isabella county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 337, providing for and limiting the taxes to be spread and assessed against property within the limits of an incorporated village.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Chapin presented

Petition No. 929.

Petition of P. C. Wellman and 29 other citizens of Antrim county, requesting the repeal of Act No. 316 of the Public Acts of 1905, or the amending of the same, providing for the exemption of Grass River in Antrim county, when approved by the voters of said county.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Fish and Fisheries.

The Speaker presented

Petition No. 930.

Resolutions adopted by the Detroit Federation of Labor of Detroit, Wayne county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 69, relative to regulating the hours of employment of conductors and motormen on street railways.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on Labor.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY CLERK OF PRINTING OF BILLS.

The Clerk announced that the following named bills had been printed and placed upon the files of the members Thursday, March 18:

Senate bill No. 262 (file No. 203), entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of Act No. 136 of the Session Laws of 1869, entitled "An act relative to the organization and powers of fire, marine and automobile insurance companies transacting business within this State," being compiler's section 7224 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as last amended by Act No. 15 of the Public Acts of 1911.

Senate bill No. 264 (file No. 204), entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of Act No. 139 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act relative to the maintenance and construction of hospitals and sanatoria within the counties of this State and to provide a tax to raise moneys therefor," approved May 26, 1909.

House bill No. 342 (file No. 118), entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of part IV of Act No. 10 of the Public Acts of the First Extra Session of 1912, entitled "An act to promote the welfare of the people of this State, relating to the liability of employers for injuries or death sustained by their employes, providing compensation for the accidental injury to or death of employes and methods for payment of the same, establishing an Industrial Accident Board, defining its powers, providing for a review of its awards, making an appropriation to carry out the provisions of this act, and restricting the right to compensation or damages in such cases to such as are provided by this act."

House bill No. 301 (file No. 119), entitled

A bill to license and regulate the loaning of money in cities and villages of this State in sum of three hundred dollars and less, upon chattel securities, or endorsement, or upon salaries or wage earnings, or without security, and prescribing rates of interest and charges therefor, and penalties for violations thereof, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions thereof.

House bill No. 307 (file No. 120), entitled

A bill to amend the title and section 1 of Act No. 354 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act relative to the use, sale, trading and disposition of horses and mules permanently unfit for work, and to provide a penalty for the violation thereof," approved May 13, 1913.

House bill No. 182 (file No. 121), entitled

A bill to provide for the protection from disturbance of foxes and other fur-bearing animals kept in captivity for breeding purposes and prescribing penalties for violations.

House bill No. 250 (file No. 122), entitled

A bill to amend sections 1 and 3 of Act 137 of the Public Acts of 1883, entitled "An act to specify certain duties of health officers and to provide for compensation therefor in townships, cities and villages where a health officer is not otherwise instructed by the local board of health," the same being sections 4460 and 4462 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

House bill No. 315 (file No. 123), entitled

A bill to provide for the protection of all species of edible frogs in this State; to regulate the sale and having in possession of frogs or portion of the carcass thereof; and providing penalties for the violation of this act.

House bill No. 270 (file No. 124), entitled

A bill to repeal Act No. 316 of the Public Acts of 1905, entitled "An act for the protection of fish in the streams known as Grass river and Intermediate river in Antrim county."

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Ways and Means, by Mr. Hinkley, Chairman, reported

Senate bill No. 147 (file No. 104), entitled

A bill to provide for the establishment of a general hospital department in the Traverse City State Hospital, to provide for the government thereof and for the reception and treatment of patients seeking medical or surgical aid therein.

Without recommendation.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

Mr. Hinkley moved that the bill be referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The motion prevailed.

The Committee on Ways and Means, by Mr. Hinkley, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 91, entitled

A bill making appropriation for the purchase of land for the use of the State House of Correction and Branch Prison in the Upper Peninsula, for farming purposes, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Ways and Means, by Mr. Hinkley, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 268, entitled

A bill authorizing the Board of Control of the Michigan State Prison to sell and dispose of certain lands situate within the county of Jackson and providing for the re-appropriation of the proceeds thereof to purchase prison farms.

With the following amendment thereto, recommending that the amendment be concurred in and that when so amended the bill pass:

1. Amend by striking out of lines 4 and 5 of section 1 the words "within two years after this act shall take effect."

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the amendment to the bill recommended by the committee,

The amendment was adopted.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Roads and Bridges, by Mr. Daprato, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 377, entitled

A bill to amend section 7 of chapter 3 of Act No. 283 of the Public Acts of 1909 as amended, entitled "An act to revise, consolidate and add to the laws relating to the establishment, opening, improvement, maintenance and use of the public highways and private roads, the condemnation of property and gravel therefor; the building, repairing and preser-

vation of bridges; setting and protecting shade trees; drainage; cutting weeds and brush within this State, and providing for the election and defining the powers, duties and compensation of State, county, township and district highway officials."

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Village Corporations, by Mr. Lewis, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 228, entitled

A bill to amend section 21 of chapter 4 of Act No. 3 of the Public Acts of 1895, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation of villages within the State of Michigan and defining their powers and duties," being section 2747 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Village Corporations, by Mr. Lewis, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 305, entitled

A bill to amend section 22 of chapter 8 of Act No. 3 of the Public Acts of 1895, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation of villages within the State of Michigan, and defining their powers and duties," as last amended by Act No. 39 of the Public Acts of 1899.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Village Corporations, by Mr. Lewis, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 348, entitled

A bill to provide for the establishment of public closets, commonly known and designated as public convenience stations, in all incorporated villages and cities of this State, and in certain unincorporated villages therein.

With a substitute therefor having the same title.

Recommending that the substitute be concurred in and that the bill as substituted pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the proposed substitute recommended by the committee,

The substitute was adopted.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Drainage, by Mr. Moore, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 376, entitled

A bill to amend section 8 of chapter 6 of Act No. 254 of the Public

Acts of 1897, entitled "An act to provide for the construction and maintenance of drains, and the assessment and collection of taxes therefor, and to repeal all other laws relative thereto," being section 4361 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Drainage, by Mr. Moore, Chairman, reported Senate bill No. 119 (file No. 129), entitled

A bill to repeal Act No. 612 of the Local Acts of 1905, entitled "An act to provide for the locating and establishing of drains within the county of Ionia," approved June 7, 1905.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Agriculture, by Mr. Schmidt, Chairman, reported Senate bill No. 79 (file No. 166), entitled

A bill to repeal Act No. 69 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act providing for State inspection of sugar beet testing, weighing and taring, the appointment of inspectors, and the payment for their services," approved April 16, 1913, and to provide for the disposal of moneys accrued under said act, and remaining in the State treasury.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

A message was received from the Senate returning House bill No. 52 (file No. 24), entitled

A bill to amend sections 1, 2 and 3 of Act No. 144 of the Public Acts of 1901, entitled "An act to provide for the establishment and maintenance of rural high schools," approved May 21, 1901, as last amended by Act No. 97 of the Public Acts of 1909; to permit of the discontinuance of any rural high school established under the provisions of said act.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill.

The bill was referred to the Clerk for enrollment printing and presentation to the Governor.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting Senate bill No. 143 (file No. 97), entitled

A bill to amend section 14 of chapter 3 of Act No. 164 of the Public Acts of 1881, entitled "An act to revise and consolidate the laws relating to public instruction and primary schools and to repeal all statutes and acts contravening the provisions of this act," being section 4679 of

the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by Act No. 146 of the Public Acts of 1901.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Education.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting

Senate bill No. 202 (file No. 151), entitled

A bill to amend sections 5, 6 and 7 of Chapter IV of Act No. 283 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to revise, consolidate and add to the laws relating to the establishment, opening, improvement, maintenance and use of the public highways and private roads, the condemnation of property and gravel therefor; the building, repairing and preservation of bridges; setting and protecting shade trees, drainage, cutting weeds and brush within this State, and providing for the election and defining the powers, duties and compensation of State, county, township and district highway officials," approved June 2, 1909, as last amended by Act No. 400 of the Public Acts of 1913.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Roads and Bridges.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Averill introduced

House bill No. 383, entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of Act No. 91 of the Public Acts of 1911, entitled "An act to provide for the assessment and the collection of a specific tax upon the class of credits founded upon and evidenced by mortgages and liens upon real property, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in contravention thereto."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on General Taxation.

Mr. Penney introduced

House bill No. 384, entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of Act No. 213 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to regulate the taking of fish in the waters of Lakes Superior, Michigan, Huron and Erie, the bays thereof, and the connecting waters between said lakes, within the jurisdiction of this State, and to regulate the transportation, sale and possession of fish taken from said waters," as last amended by Act No. 97 of the Public Acts for the year 1913.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Fish and Fisheries.

Mr. Clarence J. Reed introduced

House bill No. 385, entitled

A bill to prohibit the giving or receiving of any gift or gratuity in con-

nection with any service performed in any shop, hotel, restaurant, public house or public utility in excess of the maximum price therefor.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Anderson introduced

House bill No. 386, entitled

A bill to amend section 34 of chapter 153 of the Revised Statutes of 1846, entitled "Of offenses against the lives and persons of individuals," the same being section 11503 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Sours asked and obtained a leave of absence from the balance of today's session.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

Senate bill No. 67 (file No. 155), entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of Act No. 112 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to authorize the county commissioner of schools in each county to call a meeting of the school officers of the county."

Was read a third time and not passed, a majority of all the members-elect not voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Wells

Mr. Wolcott

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NAYS.

Mr. Amon

Mr. Francis

Mr. Oakley

Mr. Snow

Ashley

Gayde

Olmsted

Stevens

Averill

Green

Ormsbee

Sutton

Biggerstaff

Hinkley

Person

Tufts

Chapin

Hoffman

Place

Van Antwerp

Clark

Hopkins

Pray

Vine

Cowan

Hulse

Reed, C. J.

Ward

Croll

Keen

Robertson

Warner

Culver

Kooyers

Rogers

Watkins

Daigneau

Leland

Root

Weissert

Daprato

Lewis

Ross

Whiteley

De Boer

McMillan

Schmidt

Wieland

Ewing

Martin

Shields

Wiley

Flowers

Matthews

Smith, F. A.

Wood

Follett

Moore

Smith, Newel

Wright

Ford, R. L.

Nank

Smith, S. J.

Speaker

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Senate bill No. 23 (file No. 154), entitled

A bill to repeal Act No. 181 of the Public Acts of 1897, being compiler's section No. 4791 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, entitled "An

act to prescribe and define a course of studies to be taught in the district schools of this State which shall be known as the agricultural college course."

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Green	Mr. Olmsted	Mr. Sutton
Anderson	Hinkley	Ormsbee	Symonds
Ashley	Hoffman	Penney	Tufts
Averill	Hopkins	Place	Van Antwerp
Biggerstaff	Hulse	Pray	Vine
Chapin	Keen	Reed, C. J.	Ward
Clark	Kooyers	Robertson	Warner
Cowan	Leland	Rogers	Watkins
Croll	Lewis	Root	Weissert
Culver	McMillan	Ross	Wells
Daigneau	Martin	Schmidt	Whiteley
Daprato	Matthews	Shields	Wieland
De Boer	Moore	Smith, F. A.	Wiley
Ewing	Nank	Smith, Newel	Wolcott
Flowers	Nelson	Smith, S. J.	Wood
Ford, R. L.	Oakley	Snow	Wright
Francis	O'Brien	Stevens	Speaker
Gayde			69

NAYS.

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

House substitute for

Senate bill No. 42 (file No. 35), entitled

A bill to prohibit the manufacture, sale, keeping for sale or giving away cigarettes, cigarette papers or wrappers or other substitutes therefor, and providing a penalty for the violation thereof.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Francis	Mr. Place	Mr. Tufts
Anderson	Green	Pray	Van Antwerp
Ashley	Hinkley	Reed, C. J.	Vine
Averill	Hopkins	Rogers	Warner
Chapin	Hulse	Root	Watkins
Clark	Keen	Ross	Weissert
Croll	Kooyers	Schmidt	Wells
Culver	Leland	Shields	Whiteley
Daigneau	Lewis	Smith, F. A.	Wieland
Daprato	Martin	Smith, Newel	Wiley
De Boer	Matthews	Snow	Wolcott
Ewing	Moore	Stevens	Wood
Flowers	Oakley	Symonds	Wright
Follett	Penney		54

NAYS.

Mr. Biggerstaff
Cowan
Ford, R. L.
Hoffman

Mr. McMillan
Nank
Nelson
O'Brien

Mr. Olmsted
Ormsbee
Person
Robertson

Mr. Smith, S. J.
Sutton
Ward
Speaker

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

Mr. Hoffman, having reserved the right to explain his vote, sent to the Clerk's desk and had read the following:

I voted against the House substitute for Senate bill No. 42 (file 35), believing that it will not become a law and would therefore leave us without any means of preventing the sale of cigarettes to minors, and for the further reason that said substitute bill does not prevent the manufacture or the sale by jobbers of cigarettes.

Mr. Culver having reserved the right to explain his vote, sent to the Clerk's desk the following:

I am willing to support the Morford bill providing that the section which exempts boys under 21 years from prosecution if they turn informers be stricken out. To my mind any bill which makes it an object for boys under the age of twenty-one years to turn snake is bad legislation. It was my intention to move that that portion of the bill be stricken out, and if that was done I would be prepared to support it. I believe that this bill is being offered and supported for the purpose of killing the Morford bill and for that reason I voted yea.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Follett moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House failed to pass

House bill No. 235 (file No. 83), entitled

A bill to amend section 7 of Act No. 168 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to provide for a State Superintendent of Weights and Measures, State, county and city sealers and inspection of weights and measures, prescribing their powers and duties, providing penalties for fraud and deception in the use of false weights and measures, and confiscation thereof, and repealing sections 4882 to 4897 inclusive of the Compiled Laws of 1897."

The motion prevailed.

The question being on the passage of the bill,

Mr. Follett moved that the bill be laid on the table.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Nank moved that

Senate bill No. 123 (file No. 85), entitled

A bill to provide for the appointment of a collection and deportation agent in connection with the State hospitals of Michigan,

Be taken from the general orders and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Flowers moved that

House bill No. 277 (file No. 94), entitled

A bill to promote the health, safety and welfare of the people by regulating the light and ventilation, sanitation, fire protection, maintenance, alteration and improvement of dwellings; to define the classes of dwellings affected by the act, to establish administrative requirements and to establish remedies and fix penalties for the violation thereof.

Be taken from the general orders and laid on the table.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Anderson moved that John I. Gibson, secretary of the West Michigan Development Bureau, be granted the use of the floor of the House on Wednesday evening, March 24, for a stereopticon lecture on the development of western Michigan and the work of the bureau.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Averill made written request for the printing of

House bill No. 383, entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of Act No. 91 of the Public Acts of 1911, entitled "An act to provide for the assessment and the collection of a specific tax upon the class of credits founded upon and evidenced by mortgages and liens upon real property, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in contravention thereto."

The request was referred to the Committee on Printing.

GENERAL ORDERS OF THE DAY.

Mr. Symonds moved that the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole on the general orders.

The motion prevailed.

The Speaker called Mr. Symonds to the chair.

After a time spent in the consideration of bills upon the general orders, the committee rose, and, through its chairman, made a report recommending the passage, without amendment, of the following entitled bills:

House bill No. 257 (file No. 117), entitled

A bill to provide for the organization of mutual insurance companies to do a general automobile insurance business; to prescribe their powers and duties and to regulate the same.

House bill No. 342 (file No. 118), entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of part 4 of Act No. 10 of the Public Acts of the First Extra Session of 1912, entitled "An act to promote the welfare of the people of this State, relating to the liability of employers for injuries or death sustained by their employees, providing compensa-

tion for the accidental injury to or death of employes and methods for payment of the same, establishing an Industrial Accident Board, defining its powers, providing for a review of its awards, making an appropriation to carry out the provisions of this act, and restricting the right to compensation or damages in such cases to such as are provided by this act."

House bill No. 182 (file No. 121), entitled

A bill to provide for the protection from disturbance of foxes and other fur-bearing animals kept in captivity for breeding purposes and prescribing penalties for violations.

House bill No. 270 (file No. 124), entitled

A bill to repeal Act No. 316 of the Public Acts of 1905, entitled "An act for the protection of fish in the streams known as Grass river and Intermediate river, in Antrim county."

Senate bill No. 2 (file No. 2), entitled

A bill to prevent fraud in the sale and disposition of stocks, bonds or other securities sold or offered for sale within the State of Michigan by any dealer, firm, company, association or corporation, foreign or domestic, by requiring an inspection of such stocks, bonds, or other securities and an inspection of the business of such persons, firms, companies, associations or corporations, including dealers and agents, and such regulation and supervision of the business of said persons, firms, companies, associations, or corporations, including dealers and agents, as may be necessary to prevent fraud in the sale within the State, of any stocks, bonds or other securities, and to provide a penalty for the violation thereof, and to repeal Act No. 143 of the Public Acts of 1913, approved May 2, 1913, and all other acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith.

Senate bill No. 125 (file No. 134), entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of Act No. 81 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to provide for the treatment in certain institutions of this State of persons desiring and applying for treatment for mental disorders.

The bills were placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

The Committee of the Whole reported

House bill No. 36 (file No. 116), entitled

A bill to make an appropriation for the Michigan State Prison at Jackson, Michigan, for general repairs and special purposes for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

Recommending the adoption of the following amendment thereto, and the passage of the bill when so amended:

1. Amend by striking out of each of lines 4 and 5 of section 3 the word "amounts" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "amount."

The question being on the adoption of the proposed amendment made by the committee,

The amendment was adopted and the bill placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

By unanimous consent, the House returned to the order of

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

A message was received from the Senate returning House bill No. 201 (file No. 63), entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the Michigan Agricultural College for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1916, to meet a deficiency in the current expense or aid fund for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1914, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill, and further informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had ordered the bill to take immediate effect.

The bill was referred to the Clerk for enrollment printing and presentation to the Governor.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting Senate bill No. 230 (file No. 179), entitled

A bill to require all motor boats, launches, or other water craft propelled by gasoline or other internal combustion engines, operated on the inland waters of this State, to be equipped with mufflers, underwater exhausts or other suitable devices to deaden sound; and to provide penalties for violations.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

By unanimous consent

Mr. Pray made written request for the printing of House bill No. 111, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of Act No. 232 of the Public Acts of 1901, entitled "An act to extend aid to the Michigan Agricultural College," as amended by Act No. 303 of the Public Acts of 1905, and Act No. 266 of the Public Acts of 1907.

The request was referred to the Committee on Printing.

Mr. DeBoer asked and obtained a leave of absence from Monday's session.

Mr. Croll moved that the House adjourn.

The motion prevailed, the time being 10:38 o'clock a. m.

The Speaker declared the House adjourned until Monday at 8:30 o'clock p m.

CHARLES S. PIERCE,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.

FIFTIETH DAY.

Lansing, Monday, March 22.

8:30 o'clock p. m.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

Religious exercises were conducted by Mr. E. D. Miller, Secretary of the Young Men's Christian Association, of Lansing.

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk, who announced that a quorum was present.

Messrs. Bosch, DeBoer, Edwards, Haviland and Sly were absent with leave.

Messrs. Sheridan Ford, Henry, Keen, Matthews, Thomas Read, Samuel J. Smith, Wieland, Wood and Woodruff were absent without leave.

Mr. Oakley moved that the absentees without leave be excused from today's session.

The motion prevailed.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

Mr. Thomas Read presented

Petition No. 931.

Petition of Rev. C. S. Risley and 64 other citizens of the State requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 65, relative to the reading of the Holy Bible in the public schools of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Follett presented

Petition No. 932.

Petition of Mr. John Burt and 69 other members of Hemlock Baptist Church, Iosco county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 65, relative to the reading of the Holy Bible in the public schools of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Wells presented

Petition No. 933.

Petition of Chas. Everhart and 15 other citizens of Jones, Cass county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Moore presented

Petition No. 934.

Petition of R. E. Bletcher and 49 other citizens of Blissfield, Lenawee county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 337, providing for and limiting the taxes to be spread and assessed against property within the limits of an incorporated village.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Hinkley presented

Petition No. 935.

Petition of Bear Creek Grange No. 1266, of Emmet county, requesting that no action be taken in the matter of increasing passenger rates until the Supreme Court has passed upon the merits of the case now pending.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Schmidt presented

Petition No. 936.

Petition of Wm. E. Gould and 33 other citizens of Osceola county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 64, relative to a retirement fund for teachers.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Moore presented

Petition No. 937.

Resolutions adopted by the Monday Evening Literary Club of Adrian, Lenawee county, favoring the construction of a fireproof addition to, or separate building from the present Capitol building.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on State Capitol and Public Buildings.

Mr. Stevens presented

Petition No. 938.

Petition of Wm. A. Hewitt and 65 other citizens of Kalkaska county, requesting the amending of the deer hunting law so as to permit the taking of two deer during any one year, one of which must be a deer with horns; also prohibiting the killing or taking of any fawn deer.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Oakley presented

Petition No. 939.

Petition of W. L. German and 16 other citizens of Bay City, Bay county, favoring the passage of Senate bill No. 214, providing for State-wide prohibition.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Schmidt presented

Petition No. 940.

Petition of R. H. Manning and 7 other citizens of Marion, Osceola county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Sherman presented

Petition No. 941.

Petition of Wm. Millard and 44 other citizens of Reese, Tuscola county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 337, providing for and limiting the taxes to be spread and assessed against property within the limits of an incorporated village.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Daigneau presented

Petition No. 942.

Petition of H. C. Hinckley and 44 other citizens of Watervliet township, Berrien county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 337, providing for and limiting the taxes to be spread and assessed against property within the limits of an incorporated village.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Gettel presented

Petition No. 943.

Petition of P. N. Sawyer and 14 other citizens of Bad Axe, Huron county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 64, relative to a retirement fund for teachers.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

The Speaker presented

Petition No. 944.

Petition of J. A. Kelley and 86 other citizens of Clifford, Lapeer county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 337, providing for and limiting the taxes to be spread and assessed against property within the limits of an incorporated village.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Miller presented

Petition No. 945.

Petition of Jay Laving and 64 other citizens of Sidney, Montcalm county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 65, relative to the reading of the Holy Bible in the public schools of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Miller presented

Petition No. 946.

Petition of Geo. M. Doby and 27 other citizens of Howard City, Montcalm county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 337, providing for and limiting the taxes to be spread and assessed against property within the limits of an incorporated village.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Miller presented

Petition No. 947.

Protest of Mrs. L. B. Galloup and 18 other citizens of Montcalm county, against the passage of any law imposing burdensome conditions or high license for selling domestic and stock remedies, spices, extracts, etc., by retail from wagons.

The protest was referred to the Committee on Public Health.

Mr. Hopkins presented

Petition No. 948.

Petition of A. C. Ball and 38 other citizens of Manistee county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 65, relative to the reading of the Holy Bible in the public schools of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Whiteley presented

Petition No. 949.

Petition of F. E. Smith and 25 other citizens of Posen, Presque Isle county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 337, providing for and limiting the taxes to be spread and assessed against property within the limits of an incorporated village.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Foote presented

Petition No. 950.

Petition of W. D. Day and 43 other citizens of Caledonia, Kent county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 337, providing for and limiting the taxes to be spread and assessed against property within the limits of an incorporated village.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. William F. Jerome presented

Petition No. 951.

Petition of Ruth Edmonson and 32 other citizens of Hillsdale, Hillsdale county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 64, relative to a retirement fund for teachers.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. William F. Jerome presented

Petition No. 952.

Petition of James Jones and 43 other citizens of North Adams, Hillsdale county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 337, providing for and limiting the taxes to be spread and assessed against property within the limits of an incorporated village.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY CLERK OF PRINTING OF BILLS.

The Clerk announced that the following named bills had been printed and placed upon the files of the members Friday, March 19:

Senate bill No. 266 (file No. 205), entitled

A bill to provide for a domestic relations division of the circuit courts

of this State; to prescribe the method by which the judge of said division shall be designated in judicial circuits now or hereafter having more than one circuit judge; to provide for the appointment and to regulate the duties of probation officers and clerical assistants of said division; to regulate the administration thereof; and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in conflict herewith.

House bill No. 150 (file No. 125), entitled

A bill to amend section 9 of Act No. 198 of the Laws of 1873, entitled "An act to revise the laws providing for the incorporation of the railroad, bridge and tunnel companies, and to regulate the running and management and to fix the duties and liabilities of all railroad, bridge, tunnel and other corporations owning or operating any railroad, bridge or tunnel within this State," as amended, said section being compiler's section 6234 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

House bill No. 79 (file No. 126), entitled

A bill to prohibit the hunting of rabbits with ferrets and guinea pigs; exempting from its provisions farmers and fruit growers hunting on their own lands, and those townships wherein electors so decide by referendum; prescribing penalty for violation and repealing Act No. 180 of the Public Acts of 1911, entitled "An act to prohibit the hunting of rabbits with ferrets or with guinea pigs," and all other acts or parts of acts in contravention therewith.

The Clerk announced that the following named bills had been printed and placed upon the files of the members Saturday, March 20:

House bill No. 357 (file No. 127), entitled

A bill to amend sections 15 and 18 of Act No. 275 of the Public Acts of 1911, entitled "An act to provide for the protection of game and birds, to regulate the taking, possession, use and transportation of the same, to prohibit the sale thereof, to regulate the manner of hunting, pursuing and killing game or birds, to provide a penalty for the violation of any of the provisions of this act, and to repeal inconsistent acts and parts of acts," as last amended by Act No. 167 of the Public Acts of 1913.

House bill No. 248 (file No. 128), entitled

A bill to amend sections 3, 4, 6 and 9 of Act No. 242 of the Public Acts of 1863, entitled "An act for the incorporation of hospitals or asylums, in cases where valuable grants or emoluments have been made to trustees for such purposes," and the several acts amendatory thereof.

House bill No. 320 (file No. 129), entitled

A bill to amend sections 10 and 11 of chapter 171 of the Revised Statutes of 1846, entitled "Of county jails and the regulation thereof," being sections 2659 and 2660 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as last amended by Act No. 10 of the Public Acts of 1909.

House bill No. 67 (file No. 130), entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the Michigan Soldiers' Home for building and special purposes and for the refunding of excess pension money, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1916, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

House bill No. 133 (file No. 131), entitled

A bill to amend section 28 and section 29 of Act No. 278 of the Public Acts of 1907, entitled "An act to organize a State Psychopathic Hospital,

to provide for the management thereof, and making an appropriation therefor, and to repeal Act 161 of the Public Acts of 1901 and Act 140 of the Public Acts of 1905."

House bill No. 177 (file No. 132), entitled

A bill making appropriations for current expenses and for special purposes for the Michigan College of Mines at Houghton for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

House bill No. 92 (file No. 133), entitled

A bill making appropriations for the Northern State Normal School for current expenses and for special purposes, for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

House bill No. 336 (file No. 134), entitled

A bill to amend section 6 of Act No. 217 of the Public Acts of 1897, entitled "An act to provide for the registration of deaths in Michigan and requiring certificates of death," being compiler's section 4619 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

House bill No. 94 (file No. 135), entitled

A bill to amend Act 146 of the Public Acts of 1879, entitled "An act to authorize boards of health of cities, villages and townships, to furnish vaccination to the inhabitants thereof," approved February 15, 1879, being compiler's section 4465 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

Senate bill 267 (file No. 206), entitled

A bill to increase and define the civil and criminal jurisdiction of the several circuit courts of this State in domestic relations cases; to regulate the exercise of such jurisdiction and to supersede and repeal all laws or parts of laws inconsistent or in conflict herewith.

The Clerk also announced that the following named bills had been printed and placed upon the files of the members Monday, March 22:

Senate bill 270 (file No. 207), entitled

A bill to protect fish in the inland waters of this State and to regulate the manner of taking, possession, transportation, size and sale of fish when taken from such waters, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts conflicting therewith.

Senate bill No. 145 (file No. 208), entitled

A bill to amend section 4 of Act No. 192 of the Session Laws of 1871, entitled "An act to provide for the appointment of a board of commissioners for the general supervision of penal, pauper and reformatory institutions, and defining their powers and duties," as amended by Act No. 64 of the Session Laws of 1873, the same being compiler's section 2253 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as last amended by Act No. 317 of the Public Acts of 1913.

Senate bill No. 66, substituted March 18, 1915 (file No. 209).

A bill to amend section 7 of part I, sections 4, 6, 10 and 11 of part II, sections 3 and 11 of part III, section 1 of part IV and section 3 of part VI of Act No. 10, of the Public Acts of 1912, First Extra Session, entitled "An act to promote the welfare of the people of this State, relating to the liability of employers for injuries or death sustained by their employees, providing compensation for the accidental injury to or death of employees and methods for the payment of the same, establishing an In-

dustrial Accident Board, defining its powers, providing for a review of its awards, making an appropriation to carry out the provisions of this act, and restricting the right to compensation or damages in such cases to such as are provided by this act," approved March 20, 1912, and to add six new sections thereto, to stand as section 9 of part I, sections 23, 24 and 25 of part II, section 19 of part III and section 9 of part VI.

Senate bill No. 273 (file No. 210), entitled

A bill making appropriations for the State House of Correction and Branch of the State Prison in the Upper Peninsula for special purposes for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

Senate bill No. 274 (file No. 211), entitled

A bill to prevent fraud and deception in the sale of milk and cream, providing standard milk bottles and for the sealing thereof.

Senate bill No. 275 (file No. 212), entitled

A bill to provide for a State brand for Michigan butter, for the purpose of insuring a higher standard of excellence and quality, a more uniform butter market, and to insure a more healthful product for consumption at home and abroad, and to regulate the use of such mark or brand.

Senate bill No. 276 (file No. 213), entitled

A bill to amend section 20 of chapter 2 of Act No. 164 of the Public Acts of 1881, entitled "An act to revise and consolidate the laws relating to public instruction and primary schools, and to repeal all statutes and acts contravening the provisions of this act," being compiler's section 4665 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as last amended by Act No. 230 of the Public Acts of 1913.

Senate bill No. 279 (file No. 214), entitled

A bill to amend section 4 of Act No. 53 of the Public Acts of 1877, entitled "An act to provide for the better support of teachers' institutes and to repeal sections 3789, 3790 and 3791 of the Compiled Laws of 1871," being section 4842 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

Senate bill No. 280 (file No. 215), entitled

A bill to amend sections 9, 10 and 11 of Act No. 285 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to provide for the creation of a Department of Labor, to prescribe its powers and duties; to regulate the employment of labor; to make an appropriation for the maintenance of such department, and to prescribe penalties for the violation of this act," as last amended by Act No. 220 of the Public Acts of 1911.

Senate bill No. 272 (file No. 216), entitled

A bill to make lawful certain agreements between employes and laborers and to limit the issuing of injunctions in certain cases.

Senate bill No. 268 (file No. 217), entitled

A bill to amend sections 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10 and 11 of part V of Act No. 10 of the Public Acts of 1912, First Extra Session, entitled "An act to promote the welfare of the people of this State, relating to the liability of employers for injuries or death sustained by their employes, providing compensation for the accidental injury to or death of employes and methods for the payment of the same, establishing an Industrial Accident Board, defining its powers, providing for a review of its awards, making an appropriation to carry out the provisions of this act, and restricting the right to compensation or damages in such cases to such as are provided by this act," approved March 20, 1912.

House bill No. 213 (file No. 136), entitled

A bill to authorize the formation of corporations for the purpose of controlling and utilizing flood waters under the direction of the Railroad Commission.

House bill No. 329 (file No. 137), entitled

A bill to amend Act No. 206 of the Public Acts of 1893, as amended, entitled "An act to provide for the assessment of property and the levy and collection of taxes thereon, and for the collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied; making such taxes a lien on the lands taxed, establishing and continuing such lien, providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes, and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the State and not redeemed or purchased; and to repeal Act No. 200 of the Public Acts of 1891, and all other acts and parts of acts in anywise contravening any of the provisions of this act," by adding a new section thereto to be known as section 25-a, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the terms of this act.

House bill No. 132 (file No. 138), entitled

A bill to make an appropriation for the Mackinac Island State park and for the Michilimackinac State park for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

House bill No. 328 (file No. 139), entitled

A bill to amend sections 1 and 9 of chapter 138 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, entitled "An act to provide for the taxation and regulation of the business of manufacturing, selling, keeping for sale, furnishing, giving or delivering spirituous and intoxicating liquors, and malt, brewed or fermented liquors, and vinous liquors in this State, and to repeal all acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act," as amended, being compiler's section 5379 and 5387 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

House bill No. 341 (file No. 140), entitled

A bill to amend section 97 of chapter 90 of title XXI of the Revised Statutes of 1846 of the State of Michigan, being compiler's section No. 502 of the Compiled Laws of the State of Michigan of 1897, relating to the powers of courts of chancery to stay proceedings at law.

House bill No. 363 (file No. 141), entitled

A bill to amend section 6 of chapter 28 of Act No. 183 of the Public Acts of 1897, approved May 29, 1897, being an act entitled "An act to provide for the appointment and to fix the term of office, duties and compensation of circuit court stenographers in the State of Michigan," being compiler's section 368 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

House bill No. 272 (file No. 142), entitled

A bill to amend section 16 of chapter 163 of the Revised Statutes of Michigan of 1846, entitled "Of the arrest and examination of offenders, commitment for trial and taking bail," being compiler's section 11853 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

House bill No. 334 (file No. 143), entitled

A bill to amend sections 6 and 12 of Act 135 of the Public Acts of 1911, entitled "An act to encourage private forestry, the care and management thereof, and to provide for the exemption from taxation of such private forest reserve."

House bill No. 344 (file No. 144), entitled

A bill to amend section 5 of Act No. 326 of the Public Acts of 1913,

entitled "An act to provide for the leasing, control and taxation of certain lands owned and controlled by the State and the improvements thereon; providing penalties for the violation of certain provisions thereof and repealing Act No. 215 of the Public Acts of 1909, and all other acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith," and to add to said act four new sections to stand as sections 27, 28, 29 and 30.

House bill No. 275 (file No. 145), entitled

A bill to provide a method for the election of county superintendents of the poor in counties so desiring to elect such officials.

House bill No. 236 (file No. 146), entitled

A bill to provide for the licensing by the township board of billiard and pool rooms outside of incorporated cities and villages.

The Clerk announced the enrollment printing and the presentation to the Governor, on March 22, for his approval, of the following named bills:

House bill No. 113 (file No. 46), enrolled No. 17, entitled

A bill to amend section 10 of chapter 3 of Act No. 283 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to revise, consolidate and add to the laws relating to the establishment, opening, improvement, maintenance and use of the public highways and private roads, the condemnation of property and gravel therefor; the building, repairing and preservation of bridges; setting and protecting shade trees; drainage; cutting weeds and brush within this State, and providing for the election and defining the powers, duties and compensation of State, county, township and district highway officials," approved June 2, 1909, as last amended by Act No. 355 of the Public Acts of 1913, relative to number of signers to applications for submission of question of bond issues in good roads districts.

House bill No. 52 (file No. 24), enrolled No. 18, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1, 2 and 3 of Act No. 144 of the Public Acts of 1901, entitled "An act to provide for the establishment and maintenance of rural high schools," approved May 21, 1901, as last amended by Act No. 97 of the Public Acts of 1909, to permit of the discontinuance of any rural high school established under the provisions of said act.

House bill No. 201 (file No. 63), enrolled No. 19, entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the Michigan Agricultural College for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1916, to meet a deficiency in the current expense or aid fund for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1914, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Michigan Soldiers' Home, by Mr. Place, Chairman, reported

Senate bill No. 39 (file No. 32), entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the Michigan Soldiers' Home for building and special purposes, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1916, and for the refunding of excess pension money, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The Committee on Michigan Soldiers' Home, by Mr. Place, Chairman, reported

Senate bill No. 19 (file No. 19), entitled

A bill making appropriations for the Michigan Soldiers' Home for current expenses for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, and to provide a tax therefor.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The Speaker laid before the House the following communication:
To the Speaker of the House of Representatives of the State of Michigan:

The undersigned commissioners for the collection, compilation and reprinting of the General Laws of this State, appointed pursuant to the provisions of Act 247 of the Public Acts of 1913, hereby report, in accordance with said act, laws that are deemed to be obsolete or inoperative, with the recommendation that they be expressly repealed:

A complete list of these obsolete or inoperative laws accompanies this communication.

We further submit to your honorable body that the work of compiling and arranging the general laws of the State up to and including the Public Acts of 1913, together with the historical notes and references thereto was finished by us about March 15, 1914. Since that date we have been engaged in digesting the decisions of the Supreme Court relating to such general laws and preparing a list of laws which we deem to be obsolete and which should be repealed. Act 247 of 1913, under which we were appointed requiring us to report to the Legislature of 1915 all laws we deemed obsolete, has compelled us to await the final completion of our work until you should determine whether the obsolete laws reported by us should be repealed. We also assumed that you might follow the precedent established in the compilation of 1897 (Act 26 of Public Acts of 1897) of requiring the Public Acts of the present session to be included in our compilation before the same was printed. Inasmuch as section 4 of Act 247 of the Public Acts of 1913 requires you at the present session to provide for the publication and binding of our compilation, as well as to take action upon the obsolete laws reported by us, it follows that it will be impossible for us to affix chapter and serial numbers to our compilation until you determine the question of the repeal of these obsolete laws and the further question of whether the Public Acts of the present session shall be included in our compilation.

We further beg leave to submit that in our opinion our compilation may be printed and bound in three volumes (exclusive of the index) approximating the size of volume 2 of the compilation of 1897, provided that the type and kind of paper used is similar to that used in the first volume of the book lately published known as "Corpus Juris."

We further report to you that the digesting and annotating of the decisions of the Supreme Court has been a work of great magnitude and considering the legal aid employed has taken more than what would be equal to the entire time of the three commissioners for one year. This work of digesting is now so far completed that as soon as you shall make provision for the printing and publication of this compilation the completed manuscripts can be placed in the hands of the printer and continued until the whole is printed, unless you should require the laws of the present session to be included in such compilation. Should you follow the precedent established in 1897 of including the Public Acts of the present session and bringing the decisions down to date, it follows that some time must elapse before the laws of 1915 can be obtained for compilation, but in that event we believe that we may safely report without question that our compilation will be fully completed and ready for printing by the first of January, 1916.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

EDMUND C. SHIELDS,
CYRENIUS P. BLACK,
ARCHIBALD BROOMFIELD,
Commissioners.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Lamphere (by request of Mr. Woodruff), introduced
House bill No. 387, entitled

A bill to provide for the lawful taking and removing with seines or nets of dog-fish, carp, gar-fish or bill fish, sheepshead, suckers, mullet and redhorse from the waters of Lakes Superior, Michigan, Huron and Erie, the bays thereof, and the connecting waters between said lakes within the jurisdiction of this State; and for the issuance of permits therefor by the State Game, Fish and Forestry Warden.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Fish and Fisheries.

Mr. Follett introduced
House bill No. 388, entitled

A bill to amend section 131 of Act No. 206 of the Public Acts of 1893, entitled "An act to provide for the assessment of property and the levy and collection of taxes thereon, and for the collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied; making such taxes a lien on the lands taxed, establishing and continuing such lien, providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes, and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the State and not redeemed or purchased; and to repeal Act No. 200 of the Public Acts of 1891, and all other acts and parts of acts in anywise contravening any of the provisions of this act," as amended by Acts Nos. 240 of the Public Acts of 1897, 107 of the Public Acts of 1899, and 141 of the Public Acts of 1901, being section 3953 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Public Lands and Forestry Interests.

Mr. Ashley introduced

House bill No. 389, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of Act No. 10 of the Public Acts of 1895, entitled "An act to establish a board of health for the city of Detroit," to provide for the appointment of the members thereof by the mayor of said city.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on City Corporations.

Mr. Person introduced

House bill No. 390, entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the Michigan School for the Blind for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1916, to meet a deficiency in the current expense fund for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1915, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Michigan School for the Blind.

Mr. Watkins introduced

House bill No. 391, entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of Act No. 94 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to provide for the appointment of guardians of the persons of habitual drunkards, and of persons so addicted to the excessive use of intoxicating liquors or narcotic or noxious drugs as to need medical or sanitary treatment or care, and for restraining them in a suitable asylum or hospital."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Watkins introduced

House bill No. 392, entitled

A bill to amend section 5 of Act No. 6 of the Public Acts of 1907, Extra Session, as last amended by Act 363 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to define and to regulate the treatment and control of dependent, neglected and delinquent children; to prescribe the jurisdiction of the probate court and the powers, duties and compensation of the probate judge and probate register with regard thereto; to provide for the appointment of county agents, register of juvenile division and probation officers, and to prescribe their powers, duties and compensation."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

Senate bill No. 2 (file No. 2), entitled

A bill to prevent fraud in the sale and disposition of stocks, bonds or other securities sold or offered for sale within the State of Michigan

by any dealer, firm, company, association or corporation, foreign or domestic, by requiring an inspection of such stocks, bonds, or other securities and an inspection of the business of such persons, firms, companies, associations or corporations, including dealers and agents, and such regulation and supervision of the business of said persons, firms, companies, associations, or corporations, including dealers and agents, as may be necessary to prevent fraud in the sale within the State, of any stocks, bonds or other securities, to provide a penalty for the violation thereof, and to repeal Act No. 143 of the Public Acts of 1913, approved May 2, 1913, and all other acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Gettel	Mr. Oakley	Mr. Smith, Newel
Anderson	Green	O'Brien	Snow
Ashley	Griggs	Olmsted	Sours
Averill	Hinkley	Ormsbee	Stevens
Biggerstaff	Hoffman	Palmer	Stevenson
Chapin	Hopkins	Penney	Sutton
Clark	Hulse	Person	Symonds
Cowan	Jerome, J. D.	Place	Tufts
Croll	Jerome, W. F.	Pray	Van Antwerp
Culver	Jones	Quintel	Vine
Daigneau	Kemmerling	Reed, C. J.	Ward
Daprato	Koehler	Rice	Warner
Empson	Kooyers	Robertson	Watkins
Evans	Lamphere	Rogers	Weissert
Ewing	Leland	Root	Wells
Flowers	Lewis	Ross	Whiteley
Follett	McMillan	Schmidt	Wiley
Foote	Martin	Sherman	Welcott
Ford, R. L.	Miller	Shields	Wright
Francis	Moore	Smith, F. A.	Speaker
Gayde	Nank		

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

Senate bill No. 125 (file No. 134), entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of Act No. 81 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to provide for the treatment in certain institutions of this State of persons desiring and applying for treatment for mental disorders.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Green	Mr. Oakley	Mr. Smith, Newel
Anderson	Griggs	O'Brien	Snow
Ashley	Hinkley	Olmsted	Sours
Averill	Hoffman	Ormsbee	Stevens
Biggerstaff	Hopkins	Palmer	Stevenson
Chapin	Hulse	Penney	Sutton
Clark	Jerome, J. D.	Person	Symonds
Cowan	Jerome, W. F.	Petermann	Tufts
Croll	Jones	Place	Van Antwerp
Culver	Kemmerling	Pray	Vine
Daigneau	Koehler	Quintel	Ward
Daprato	Kooyers	Reed, C. J.	Warner
Empson	Lamphere	Rice	Watkins
Evens	Leland	Robertson	Weissert
Ewing	Lewis	Rogers	Wells
Flowers	McMillan	Root	Whiteley
Follett	Martin	Ross	Wiley
Ford, R. L.	Martz	Schmidt	Wolcott
Francis	Miller	Sherman	Wright
Gayde	Moore	Shields	Speaker
Gettel	Nelson	Smith, F. A.	

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

House bill No. 191 (file No. 89), entitled

A bill to amend section 7 of chapter 1 of Act No. 283 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to revise, consolidate and add to the laws relating to the establishment, opening, improvement, maintenance and use of the public highways and private roads; the condemnation of property and gravel therefor; the building, repairing and preservation of bridges; setting and protecting shade trees; drainage; cutting weeds and brush within the State, and providing for the election and defining the powers, duties and compensation of State, county, township and district highway officials."

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Green	Mr. Nelson	Mr. Smith, Newel
Anderson	Griggs	Oakley	Snow
Ashley	Hinkley	O'Brien	Sours
Averill	Hoffman	Olmsted	Stevens
Biggerstaff	Hopkins	Ormsbee	Stevenson
Chapin	Hulse	Palmer	Sutton
Clark	Jerome, J. D.	Penney	Symonds
Cowan	Jerome, W. F.	Person	Tufts
Croll	Jones	Petermann	Van Antwerp
Culver	Kemmerling	Place	Vine
Daigneau	Koehler	Pray	Ward
Daprato	Kooyers	Quintel	Warner
Empson	Lamphere	Reed, C. J.	Watkins

Mr. Evens	Mr. Leland	Mr. Rice	Mr. Weissert
Ewing	Lewis	Robertson	Wells
Flowers	McMillan	Rogers	Whiteley
Follett	Martin	Ross	Wiley
Foot	Martz	Schmidt	Wolcott
Ford, R. L.	Miller	Sherman	Wright
Gayde	Moore	Shields	Speaker
Gettel	Nank	Smith, F. A.	

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

Mr. Martin moved that the bill be ordered to take immediate effect.

The motion prevailed, two-thirds of all the members-elect voting therefor.

House bill No. 303 (file No. 90), entitled

A bill to amend section 29 of chapter 145 of the Revised Statutes of 1846, relative to the powers, duties and obligations of assignees of insolvent debtors, as amended by Act 161 of the Public Acts of 1869, the same being section 9673 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Gettel	Mr. Oakley	Mr. Smith, Newel
Anderson	Green	O'Brien	Snow
Ashley	Griggs	Olmsted	Sours
Averill	Hopkins	Ormsbee	Stevens
Biggerstaff	Hulse	Palmer	Stevenson
Chapin	Jerome, J. D.	Penney	Sutton
Clark	Jerome, W. F.	Person	Symonds
Cowan	Jones	Petermann	Tufts
Croll	Koehler	Place	Van Antwerp
Culver	Kooyers	Pray	Vine
Daigneau	Lamphere	Quintel	Ward
Daprato	Leland	Reed, C. J.	Warner
Empson	Lewis	Rice	Watkins
Evans	McMillan	Robertson	Weissert
Ewing	Martin	Rogers	Wells
Flowers	Martz	Ross	Whiteley
Follett	Miller	Schmidt	Wiley
Ford, R. L.	Moore	Sherman	Wolcott
Francis	Nank	Shields	Wright
Gayde	Nelson	Smith, F. A.	Speaker

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NAYS.

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

House bill No. 45 (file No. 92), entitled

A bill to provide for the examination, registration, regulation and licensing of chiropodists, and for the punishment of offenders against this act, and to repeal acts or parts of acts in conflict therewith.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Green	Mr. Olmsted	Mr. Stevens
Ashley	Hulse	Ormsbee	Sutton
Averill	Jerome, J. D.	Palmer	Symonds
Biggerstaff	Jerome, W. F.	Penney	Van Antwerp
Chapin	Jones	Petermann	Vine
Clark	Kemmerling	Place	Ward
Croll	Koehler	Quintel	Warner
Culver	Kooyers	Rice	Watkins
Daigneau	Lamphere	Robertson	Weissert
Ewing	Lewis	Rogers	Wells
Flowers	McMillan	Schmidt	Wiley
Foot	Martin	Smith, Newel	Wolcott
Ford, R. L.	Martz	Snow	Wright
Francis	Nank	Sours	Speaker
Gayde	O'Brien		

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NAYS.

Mr. Evens	Mr. Miller	Mr. Oakley	Mr. Root
Leland	Nelson		

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Pending the announcement of the vote upon the bill,
 Mr. Averill demanded the vote of Mr. Ashley.
 Mr. Ashley voted yea and was so recorded.
 The House agreed to the title of the bill.

House bill No. 304 (file No. 96), entitled

A bill to provide for the furnishing, at public expense, suitable markers for the graves of honorably discharged soldiers, sailors and marines who served in the army of the United States, to provide for the marking and designation of such graves for memorial purposes, to provide a penalty for the removal or destruction of such markers or designs when placed, and to repeal Act No. 136 of the Public Acts of 1907.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Gettel	Mr. Nelson	Mr. Smith, F. A.
Anderson	Green	Oakley	Smith, Newel
Ashley	Griggs	O'Brien	Snow
Averill	Hinkley	Olmsted	Sours
Biggerstaff	Hoffman	Ormsbee	Stevens
Chapin	Hopkins	Palmer	Stevenson
Clark	Hulse	Penney	Sutton
Cowan	Jerome, J. D.	Person	Symonds
Croll	Jerome, W. F.	Petermann	Van Antwerp
Culver	Jones	Place	Vine
Daigneau	Koehler	Pray	Ward
Daprato	Kooyers	Quintel	Warner
Empson	Lamphere	Reed, C. J.	Watkins
Evens	Leland	Rice	Weissert
Ewing	Lewis	Robertson	Wells

Mr. Flowers	Mr. McMillan	Mr. Rogers	Mr. Whiteley
Follett	Martin	Root	Wiley
Foote	Martz	Ross	Wolcott
Ford, R. L.	Miller	Schmidt	Woodruff
Francis	Moore	Sherman	Wright
Gayde	Nank	Shields	Speaker

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NAYS.

0

The House agreed to the title of the bill.

Mr. Place moved that the bill be ordered to take immediate effect.

The motion prevailed, two-thirds of all the members-elect voting therefor.

House bill No. 255 (file No. 97), entitled

A bill to amend section 25 of Act No. 206 of the Public Acts of 1893, entitled "An act to provide for the assessment of property and the levy and collection of taxes thereon; and for the collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied; making such taxes a lien on the lands taxed; establishing and continuing such lien; providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes; and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the State and not redeemed or purchased; and to repeal Act No. 200 of the Public Acts of 1891, and all other acts and parts of acts in anywise contravening any of the provisions of this act," being section 3848 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Gettel	Mr. Nelson	Mr. Smith, F. A.
Anderson	Green	Oakley	Smith, Newel
Ashley	Hinkley	O'Brien	Snow
Averill	Hoffman	Olmsted	Sours
Biggerstaff	Hopkins	Ormsbee	Stevens
Chapin	Hulse	Palmer	Stevenson
Clark	Jerome, J. D.	Penney	Sutton
Cowan	Jerome, W. F.	Person	Symonds
Croll	Jones	Petermann	Tufts
Culver	Kemmerling	Place	Van Antwerp
Daigneau	Koehler	Pray	Vine
Daprato	Kooyers	Quintel	Ward
Empson	Lamphere	Reed, C. J.	Warner
Evans	Leland	Rice	Watkins
Ewing	Lewis	Robertson	Weissert
Flowers	McMillan	Rogers	Wells
Follett	Martin	Root	Whiteley
Foote	Martz	Ross	Wiley
Ford, R. L.	Miller	Schmidt	Wolcott
Francis	Moore	Sherman	Wright
Gayde	Nank	Shields	Speaker

84

NAYS.

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

House bill No. 186 (file No. 99), entitled

A bill to compel common carriers to furnish wholesome water supply, watering troughs and overhead shelter at stock yards, cattle pens, and other enclosures maintained by such common carriers for the use of its patrons and shippers, and to provide a penalty for failure to comply with the terms of this act.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Hoffman	Mr. Palmer	Mr. Sours
Anderson	Hopkins	Penney	Stevenson
Ashley	Hulse	Person	Sutton
Averill	Jerome, W. F.	Petermann	Symonds
Cowan	Jones	Place	Tufts
Croll	Kemmerling	Pray	Vine
Daigneau	Koehler	Quintel	Ward
Daprato	Kooyers	Reed, C. J.	Warner
Evans	Lamphere	Rice	Watkins
Ewing	Leland	Rogers	Weissert
Flowers	Lewis	Ross	Wells
Follett	Martz	Schmidt	Whiteley
Ford, R. L.	Moore	Sherman	Wiley
Francis	Nank	Shields	Wolcott
Gayde	Oakley	Smith, F. A.	Wright
Gettel	Olmsted	Smith, Newel	Speaker
Hinkley	Ormsbee	Snow	

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NAYS.

Mr. Biggerstaff	Mr. Griggs	Mr. Miller	Mr. Robertson
Chapin	McMillan	Nelson	Stevens
Clark	Martin	O'Brien	Van Antwerp
Culver			

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

House bill No. 126 (file No. 100), entitled

A bill to amend section 3 of Act No. 193 of the Public Acts of 1895, as amended by Act No. 118 of the Public Acts of 1897, same being compiler's section 5112 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by Act No. 162 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to prohibit and prevent adulteration, fraud and deception in the manufacture and sale of articles of food and drink."

Was read a third time and, the question being on its passage,

Mr. Lewis moved to amend the bill

By striking out lines 47 and 48 of section 3(a) and inserting in lieu thereof the following: "Provided, That all fresh vegetables and fresh fruits, excepting grapes, when being loaded in car lots, shall be exempt from the provisions of this section."

The motion did not prevail and the amendment was not adopted, a majority of all the members-elect not voting therefor.

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Gettel	Mr. Olmsted	Mr. Smith, F. A.
Anderson	Griggs	Ormsbee	Snow
Ashley	Hinkley	Penney	Stevens
Biggerstaff	Hoffman	Person	Stevenson
Clark	Hulse	Petermann	Sutton
Cowan	Jerome, J. D.	Place	Symonds
Croll	Lamphere	Pray	Van Antwerp
Culver	Leland	Quintel	Vine
Daigneau	Lewis	Reed, C. J.	Ward
Daprato	Martin	Robertson	Warner
Ewing	Martz	Rogers	Watkins
Flowers	Miller	Root	Weissert
Foote	Nank	Schmidt	Wolcott
Ford, R. L.	O'Brien	Sherman	Speaker
Gayde			

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NAYS.

Mr. Averill	Mr. Jerome, W. F.	Mr. Nelson	Mr. Tufts
Chapin	Jones	Oakley	Wells
Evans	Kemmerling	Palmer	Whiteley
Follett	Koehler	Rice	Wiley
Green	McMillan	Smith, Newel	Wright
Hopkins	Moore	Sours	

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Pending the announcement of the vote upon the bill,
 Mr. Croll demanded the vote of Mr. Moore.
 Mr. Moore voted nay and was so recorded.
 The House agreed to the title of the bill.

Mr. Moore, having reserved the right to explain his vote, made the following statement:

I am not insisting upon going on record, but simply to explain to the members of the House and Mr. Daigneau. As a member of the Horticulture Committee I have listened to the discussion pro and con. I am not a fruit grower, and am not posted as to the necessities. I have been informed by the Dairy and Food Commissioner that the United States law requires that all packages shipped out of the State must bear the net weight in order to comply with the law. I have always made it a practice on the floor of this House, when I cannot clearly define my own judgment, and if I am not satisfied after the discussion just what my duty is to vote the negative in order not to make matters worse. Consequently I voted "no."

House bill No. 197 (file No. 103), entitled

A bill to amend section 7 of Act 242 of the Public Acts of 1863, entitled "An act for the incorporation of hospitals or asylums in cases where valuable grants or emoluments have been made to trustees for such purposes," approved March 20, 1863, and being section 8294 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Green	Mr. O'Brien	Mr. Snow
Anderson	Griggs	Olmsted	Sours
Ashley	Hinkley	Ormsbee	Stevens
Averill	Hopkins	Palmer	Stevenson
Biggerstaff	Hulse	Penney	Sutton
Chapin	Jerome, J. D.	Person	Symonds
Cowan	Jerome, W. F.	Petermann	Tufts
Croll	Jones	Place	Van Antwerp
Culver	Kemmerling	Pray	Vine
Daigneau	Koehler	Quintel	Ward
Daprato	Kooyers	Reed, C. J.	Warner
Evens	Leland	Rice	Watkins
Ewing	Lewis	Robertson	Weissert
Flowers	McMillan	Rogers	Wells
Follett	Martin	Ross	Whiteley
Foot	Miller	Schmidt	Wiley
Ford, R. L.	Moore	Sherman	Wolcott
Francis	Nank	Shields	Wright
Gayde	Nelson	Smith, F. A.	Speaker
Gettel	Oakley	Smith, Newel	

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NAYS.

Mr. Hoffman

1

The House agreed to the title of the bill.

House bill No. 202 (file No. 104), entitled

A bill to provide for the employment of interpreters in criminal cases and to regulate the compensation thereof.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Green	Mr. Nelson	Mr. Smith, Newel
Anderson	Griggs	Oakley	Snow
Ashley	Hinkley	O'Brien	Sours
Averill	Hoffman	Olmsted	Stevens
Biggerstaff	Hopkins	Ormsbee	Stevenson
Chapin	Hulse	Palmer	Sutton
Clark	Jerome, J. D.	Penney	Symonds
Cowan	Jerome, W. F.	Petermann	Tufts
Croll	Jones	Place	Van Antwerp
Culver	Kemmerling	Quintel	Vine
Daigneau	Koehler	Reed, C. J.	Ward
Daprato	Kooyers	Rice	Warner
Empson	Leland	Robertson	Watkins
Evens	Lewis	Rogers	Weissert
Ewing	McMillan	Root	Wells
Flowers	Martin	Ross	Whiteley
Follett	Marts	Schmidt	Wiley
Ford, R. L.	Miller	Sherman	Wolcott
Francis	Moore	Shields	Wright
Gayde	Nank	Smith, F. A.	Speaker
Gettel			

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NAYS.

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

House bill No. 317 (file No. 105), entitled

A bill to bar debts and obligations against unprobated estates of deceased persons, after the lapse of a certain length of time in certain cases, and to repeal all acts or parts of acts in conflict with the provisions of this act.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Green	Mr. Nelson	Mr. Smith, F. A.
Anderson	Griggs	Oakley	Smith, Newel
Ashley	Hinkley	O'Brien	Snow
Averill	Hoffman	Olmsted	Sours
Biggerstaff	Hopkins	Ormsbee	Stevens
Chapin	Hulse	Palmer	Stevenson
Clark	Jerome, J. D.	Penney	Sutton
Cowan	Jerome, W. F.	Person	Symonds
Croll	Jones	Petermann	Tufts
Culver	Kemmerling	Place	Van Antwerp
Daigneau	Koehler	Pray	Vine
Daprato	Kooyers	Quintel	Ward
Empson	Lamphere	Reed, C. J.	Warner
Evans	Leland	Rice	Watkins
Ewing	Lewis	Robertson	Weissert
Flowers	McMillan	Rogers	Wells
Follett	Martin	Root	Whiteley
Foote	Martz	Ross	Wiley
Ford, R. L.	Miller	Schmidt	Wolcott
Francis	Moore	Sherman	Wright
Gayde	Nank	Shields	Speaker
Gettel			

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NAYS.

0

The House agreed to the title of the bill.

House bill No. 206 (file No. 106), entitled

A bill to amend section 3 of Act No. 381 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to regulate the sale, consignment, shipment, transportation and delivery to and the purchase, acceptance, receipt and possession by any person, firm or corporation of any vinous, malt, brewed, fermented, spirituous or intoxicating liquor when such person, firm or corporation resides in territory where the manufacture and sale of such liquors for beverage purposes is prohibited; to prohibit the same in certain cases; to prescribe means for the enforcement of the provisions of this act; and to repeal all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act."

Was read a third time and, the question being on its passage,

Mr. Chapin moved to amend the bill

By taking the penalty clause from the position it now occupies in the bill, beginning in line 15 and ending in line 25 of section 3, and placing it at the end of section 3.

The motion prevailed.

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Gettel	Mr. Nelson	Mr. Smith, F. A.
Anderson	Green	Oakley	Smith, Newel
Ashley	Griggs	O'Brien	Sours
Averill	Hinkley	Olmsted	Stevens
Biggerstaff	Hoffman	Ormsbee	Stevenson
Chapin	Hopkins	Palmer	Sutton
Clark	Hulse	Penney	Symonds
Cowan	Jerome, J. D.	Person	Tufts
Croll	Jerome, W. F.	Petermann	Van Antwerp
Culver	Jones	Place	Vine
Daigneau	Kemmerling	Pray	Ward
Daprato	Kooyers	Quintel	Warner
Empson	Lamphere	Reed, C. J.	Watkins
Evens	Leland	Rice	Weissert
Ewing	Lewis	Robertson	Wells
Flowers	McMillan	Rogers	Whiteley
Follett	Martin	Root	Wiley
Foots	Martz	Ross	Wolcott
Ford, R. L.	Miller	Schmidt	Wright
Francis	Moore	Sherman	Speaker
Gayde	Nank	Shields	

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NAYS.

Mr. Koehler

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Pending the announcement of the vote upon the bill,

Mr. Pray demanded the vote of Mr. Sutton.

Mr. Sutton voted yea and was so recorded.

Mr. Croll demanded the vote of Mr. Koehler.

Mr. Koehler voted nay and was so recorded.

The House agreed to the title of the bill.

House bill No. 293 (file No. 114), entitled

A bill to amend section 3 of chapter 35 of the Revised Statutes of 1846, relative to the preservation of the public health, quarantine, nuisances and offenses of trade, amended by Act No. 70 of the Session Laws of 1893, the same being section 4412 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

Was read a third time and not passed, a majority of all the members-elect not voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Follett	Mr. Oakley	Mr. Schmidt	Mr. Sutton
Hulse	O'Brien	Shields	Symonds
Jerome, W. F.	Penney	Smith, Newel	Watkins
Miller	Person	Stevens	Wolcott

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NAYS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Ford, R. L.	Mr. Martin	Mr. Root
Anderson	Francis	Martz	Ross
Ashley	Gayde	Moore	Smith, F. A.
Averill	Gettel	Nank	Snow
Biggerstaff	Green	Nelson	Sours
Chapin	Griggs	Olmsted	Tufts
Clark	Hinkley	Ormsbee	Van Antwerp
Cowan	Hoffman	Palmer	Vine
Croll	Hopkins	Petermann	Ward
Culver	Jerome, J. D.	Place	Warner
Daigneau	Kemmerling	Pray	Weissert
Daprato	Koehler	Quintel	Wells
Empson	Lamphere	Reed, C. J.	Whiteley
Evens	Leland	Rice	Wiley
Ewing	Lewis	Robertson	Wright
Flowers	McMillan	Rogers	Speaker
Foote			

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House bill No. 294 (file No. 115), entitled

A bill to amend section 44 of chapter 35 of the Revised Statutes of 1846, relative to the preservation of the public health, quarantine, nuisances and offensive trades, as amended by Act 158 of the Public Acts of 1895, the same being section 4453 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Green	Mr. O'Brien	Mr. Snow
Anderson	Hinkley	Olmsted	Sours
Ashley	Hoffman	Ormsbee	Stevens
Averill	Hopkins	Palmer	Stevenson
Biggerstaff	Hulse	Penney	Sutton
Chapin	Jerome, W. F.	Person	Symonds
Clark	Jones	Petermann	Tufts
Cowan	Kemmerling	Place	Van Antwerp
Croll	Koehler	Pray	Vine
Culver	Kooyers	Quintel	Ward
Daigneau	Lamphere	Reed, C. J.	Warner
Daprato	Leland	Rice	Watkins
Empson	Lewis	Robertson	Weissert
Evens	McMillan	Rogers	Wells
Flowers	Martin	Ross	Whiteley
Follett	Martz	Schmidt	Wiley
Foote	Miller	Sherman	Wolcott
Ford, R. L.	Moore	Shields	Wright
Francis	Nank	Smith, F. A.	Speaker
Gayde	Oakley	Smith, Newel	

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NAYS.

Mr. Root

1

The House agreed to the title of the bill.

House bill No 302 (file No. 91), entitled

A bill to authorize the general laws of this State, entitled "Howell's Annotated Statutes of the State of Michigan, Second Edition," to be received and used in evidence.

Was read a third time and not passed, a majority of all the members-elect not voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Ashley	Mr. Kemmerling	Mr. Palmer	Mr. Stevenson
Biggerstaff	Kooyers	Penney	Sutton
Culver	Lamphere	Petermann	Symonds
Daigneau	Lewis	Place	Warner
Empson	Martin	Pray	Watkins
Flowers	Martz	Robertson	Wiley
Foote	Nank	Smith, Newel	Wright
Gayde	O'Brien	Snow	Speaker
Jerome, J. D.	Ormsbee		

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NAYS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Green	Mr. Nelson	Mr. Shields
Anderson	Griggs	Oakley	Smith, F. A.
Averill	Hinkley	Olmsted	Sours
Chapin	Hoffman	Person	Stevens
Clark	Hopkins	Quintel	Tufts
Croll	Hulse	Reed, C. J.	Van Antwerp
Daprato	Jerome, W. F.	Rice	Vine
Evens	Jones	Rogers	Ward
Ewing	Koehler	Root	Wells
Follett	McMillan	Ross	Whiteley
Ford, R. L.	Miller	Schmidt	Wolcott
Gettel	Moore	Sherman	

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Pending the announcement of the vote upon the bill,

Mr. Follett demanded the vote of Mr. Anderson.

Mr. Anderson voted nay and was so recorded.

Mr. Flowers moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House failed to pass the bill.

Mr. Oakley demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was seconded.

The motion made by Mr. Flowers then prevailed, a majority of all the members present voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Gayde	Mr. O'Brien	Mr. Snow
Anderson	Gettel	Olmsted	Sours
Ashley	Green	Ormsbee	Stevens
Biggerstaff	Griggs	Palmer	Stevenson
Chapin	Hopkins	Penney	Sutton
Clark	Hulse	Person	Symonds
Croll	Jerome, J. D.	Petermann	Tufts
Culver	Jerome, W. F.	Place	Vine
Daigneau	Kemmerling	Pray	Ward
Daprato	Kooyers	Quintel	Warner
Empson	Lamphere	Reed, C. J.	Watkins
Evens	Leland	Robertson	Wells
Ewing	Lewis	Rogers	Whiteley
Flowers	Martin	Ross	Wiley
Follett	Martz	Schmidt	Wolcott
Ford, R. L.	Moore	Sherman	Wright
Francis	Nank	Smith, Newel	Speaker

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NAYS.

Mr. Averill
Hinkley
Hoffman
Jones

Mr. Koehler
McMillan
Miller

Mr. Nelson
Oakley
Rice

Mr. Root
Shields
Van Antwerp

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The question being on the passage of the bill,
Mr. Flowers moved that the bill be laid on the table.
The motion prevailed.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Wiley moved that when the House adjourns today it stand adjourned until tomorrow at 10:00 o'clock a. m.
The motion prevailed.

Mr. Hinkley moved that

House bill No. 67 (file No. 130), entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the Michigan Soldiers' Home for building and special purposes and for the refunding of excess pension money, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1916, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

Now on the General Orders, be re-referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Wolcott made written request for the printing of
House bill No. 33, entitled

A bill to amend section 9 of Act No. 207 of the Public Acts of 1889, entitled "An act to prohibit the manufacture, sale, keeping for sale, giving away or furnishing of vinous, malt, brewed, fermented, spirituous or intoxicating liquors, or any mixed liquor or beverage any part of which is intoxicating, and to prohibit the keeping of any saloon or other place for the manufacture, sale, storing for sale, giving away or furnishing of such liquors or beverages, and to suspend the general laws of the State relative to the taxation and regulation of the manufacture and sale of such liquors in the several counties of this State under certain circumstances; to authorize the qualified electors of the several counties in this State to express their will in regard to such prohibition by an election, and to authorize and empower the Board of Supervisors of the several counties, after such election, if they shall determine the result to be in favor of such prohibition, to prohibit the manufacture, sale, keeping for sale, giving away or furnishing of any such liquors, or the keeping of a saloon or any other place for the manufacture, sale, storing for sale, giving away or furnishing of the same within their respective counties; and to provide for penalties and rights of action in case of its violation," as last amended by Act No. 183 of the Public Acts of 1899, being section 5420 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, relative to the period of time in which the question of local option under the act may be resubmitted.

The request was referred to the Committee on Printing.

Mr. Wolcott made written request for the printing of House bill No. 364, entitled

A bill to amend the title and sections 1 and 2 of Act No. 31 of the Public Acts of 1887, entitled "An act to prohibit the maintenance of saloons or other places of entertainment in which intoxicating liquors are sold, and to prohibit the sale or giving away of intoxicating liquors within one mile of the Soldiers' Home," being sections 5443 and 5444 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

The request was referred to the Committee on Printing.

Mr. Clarence J. Reed made written request for the printing of House bill No. 319, entitled

A bill to provide for the payment of salaries to the sheriff, undersheriff, county clerk, county treasurer, register of deeds and prosecuting attorney or any of said officers in the several counties of this State; to provide for the collection of fees and the payment thereof by said officers into the county treasury; and to prescribe penalties for the violation of this act, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in contravention thereto.

The request was referred to the Committee on Printing.

By unanimous consent the House returned to the order of

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Printing, by Mr. VanAntwerp, Chairman, reported The written request of Mr. Haviland for the printing of House bill No. 47, entitled

A bill for the improvement of a certain portion of the highway known as the "Fort Gratiot Turnpike" located in the township of Columbus in the county of St. Clair, and making appropriation therefor.

With the recommendation that the request be granted.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the recommendation of the committee,

The recommendation was concurred in, and the bill ordered printed.

The committee on Printing, by Mr. VanAntwerp, Chairman, reported The written request of Mr. Pray for the printing of House bill No. 111, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of Act No. 232 of the Public Acts of 1901, entitled "An act to extend aid to the Michigan Agricultural College," as amended by Act No. 303 of the Public Acts of 1905, and Act No. 266 of the Public Acts of 1907.

With the recommendation that the request be granted.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the recommendation of the committee,

The recommendation was concurred in, and the bill ordered printed.

The Committee on Printing, by Mr. VanAntwerp, Chairman, reported The written request of Mr. Averill for the printing of House bill No. 383, entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of Act No. 91 of the Public Acts of 1911, entitled "An act to provide for the assessment and the collection of a specific tax upon the class of credits founded upon and evidenced by mortgages and liens upon real property, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in contravention thereto."

With the recommendation that the request be granted.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the recommendation of the committee,

The recommendation was concurred in, and the bill ordered printed.

The Committee on Printing, by Mr. VanAntwerp, Chairman, reported The written request of Mr. Oakley for the printing of House bill No. 365, entitled

A bill to protect the lives, health and morals of women workers; to establish a minimum wage commission therefor, and to define its powers and duties; to provide for the fixing of minimum wages for such workers, and to provide penalties for the violation of the same; for publicity; and to make an appropriation therefor.

With the recommendation that the request be granted.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the recommendation of the committee,

The recommendation was concurred in, and the bill ordered printed.

Mr. Oakley moved that the House adjourn.

The motion prevailed, the time being 10:55 o'clock p. m.

The Speaker declared the House adjourned until tomorrow at 10:00 o'clock a. m.

CHARLES S. PIERCE,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.

FIFTY-FIRST DAY.

Lansing, Tuesday, March 23.

10:00 o'clock a. m.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

Religious exercises were conducted by Rev. C. H. Hanks of the First Congregational Church, of Owosso.

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk, who announced that a quorum was present.

Messrs. Edwards, Haviland and Sly were absent with leave.

Messrs. Sheridan Ford, Keen, Kemmerling, Pray, Thomas Read, Samuel J. Smith, Wieland, Wood and Woodruff were absent without leave.

Mr. Wolcott moved that the absentees without leave be excused from today's session.

The motion prevailed.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

Mr. Frank A. Smith presented

Petition No. 953.

Protest of H. Vanderanter and 43 other citizens of Mesick, Wexford county, against any change in the rate of passenger fares charged by the railroads of the State.

The protest was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Penney presented

Petition No. 954.

Protest of Crane & Crane and 15 other members of the Saginaw Real Estate Board, of Saginaw, Saginaw county, against the passage of House bill No. 142, commonly known as the "Torrens bill," providing for the simplifying of the transfer of real estate.

The protest was referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Whiteley presented

Petition No. 955.

Petition of M. C. Doty and 60 other citizens of Montmorency county, requesting the amending of the deer hunting law so as to permit the killing of one deer during any one year, which must be a deer with horns; also prohibiting the killing or taking of any fawn deer.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Frank A. Smith presented

Petition No. 956.

Petition of Geo. Clement and 36 other citizens of Buckley, Wexford county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 337, providing for and limiting the taxes to be spread and assessed against property within the limits of an incorporated village.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Griggs presented

Petition No. 957.

Petition of Mr. L. Bradley and 88 other citizens of Wallace Lake, Oakland county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 214, providing for Statewide prohibition.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Sherman presented

Petition No. 958.

Petition of P. S. Mitchell and 30 other citizens of Fostoria, Tuscola county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 48, relative to prohibiting the manufacture, sale, keeping for sale or giving away cigarettes.

The petition was referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Frank A. Smith presented

Petition No. 959.

Petition of Charles S. Ogden and 48 other citizens of Harriette, Wexford county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 337, providing for and limiting the taxes to be spread and assessed against property within the limits of an incorporated village.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Frank A. Smith presented

Petition No. 960.

Resolutions adopted by The Lake County Teachers' Association of Lake county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 64, relative to a retirement fund for teachers.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Koehler presented

Petition No. 961.

Petition of C. C. Owens and 6 other citizens of Detroit, Wayne county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Henry presented

Petition No. 962.

Petition of G. O. Thunder and 10 other citizens of Marshall, Calhoun county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Croll presented

Petition No. 963.

Petition of Ernest C. Gower and 47 other citizens of Gladwin county, requesting the amending of the deer hunting law so as to permit the taking of two deer during any one year, one of which must be a deer with horns, also prohibiting the killing of any fawn deer.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Hoffman presented

Petition No. 964.

Resolution adopted by the Eastern Michigan Bean and Grain Dealers' Association, at a meeting held at Port Huron, on March 19, as follows:

Resolved, That it is the sentiment of the members of the Eastern Michigan Bean and Grain Association that we are not in favor of any increase in the present passenger rates in the State of Michigan, unless this increase will enable the railroads to protect the shippers against any further increase over the original 5% increase in freight rates. Furthermore, we protest against the withdrawal of stop-off privileges on our commodities and changes of classification raising rates indirectly.

The resolution was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

A message was received from the Senate re-transmitting

Senate bill No. 42 (file No. 35), entitled

A bill to prohibit the selling, giving, or furnishing of cigarettes to minors, to prohibit the use of cigarettes by minors, and prohibiting the harboring of minors for the purpose of indulging in the use of cigarettes.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had refused to concur in the substitute adopted by the House of Representatives.

Mr. Hulse moved that the House recede from its action in the adoption of a substitute for the Senate bill.

The motion prevailed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor.

The question being on the passage of the bill as originally received from the Senate and reported by the Committee on State Affairs,

The bill was passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Gayde	Mr. Nank	Mr. Smith, F. A.
Anderson	Gettel	Nelson	Smith, Newel
Ashley	Green	Oakley	Snow
Averill	Griggs	O'Brien	Sours
Biggerstaff	Henry	Olmsted	Stevens
Bosch	Hinkley	Ormsbee	Stevenson
Chapin	Hoffman	Palmer	Sutton
Clark	Hopkins	Penney	Symonds
Cowan	Hulse	Person	Tufts
Croll	Jerome, J. D.	Petermann	Van Antwerp
Culver	Jerome, W. F.	Place	Vine
Daigneau	Jones	Quintel	Ward
Daprato	Kooyers	Reed, C. J.	Warner
De Boer	Lamphere	Rice	Watkins
Empson	Leland	Robertson	Weissert
Evens	Lewis	Rogers	Wells
Ewing	McMillan	Root	Whiteley
Flowers	Martin	Ross	Wiley
Follett	Matthews	Schmidt	Wolcott
Foote	Miller	Sherman	Wright
Ford, R. L.	Moore	Shields	Speaker
Francis			85

NAYS.

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

Mr. Kemmerling entered the House and took his seat.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting Senate bill No. 120 (file No. 188), entitled

A bill giving the assent of the Legislature of the State of Michigan to the grant of moneys from the United States by act of Congress approved May 8, 1914, entitled "An act to provide for co-operative agricultural extension work between the agricultural colleges in the several states receiving the benefits of an act of Congress approved July 2, 1862, and acts supplementary thereto, and the United States Department of Agriculture," and designating the officer to whom the payments are to be made.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Agricultural College.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting Senate bill No. 105 (file No. 194), entitled

A bill to amend section 7 of Act 182 of the Public Acts of 1885, entitled "An act to provide for the appointment of a State Live Stock Sanitary Commission and a State Veterinarian, and to prescribe their powers and duties and to prevent and suppress contagious and infectious diseases among live stock of the State," the same being section 5633 of

the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by Act 172 of the Public Acts of 1909; and to add a new section to said act to stand as section 29 thereof.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Public Health.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting

Senate bill No. 216 (file No. 190), entitled

A bill to amend section 3 of Act 22 of the Public Acts of 1891, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation of lodges of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks," being compiler's section 8081 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as last amended by Act 18 of the Public Acts of 1911.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Religious and Benevolent Societies.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting

Senate bill No. 95 (file No. 68), entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the completion of the State public wagon road extending from the unincorporated village of Seney, in the township of Seney, county of Schoolcraft, to the north line of town 47, north of range 13 west, said township and county, established by Act No. 58 of the Public Acts of 1913, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill, and further informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had ordered the bill to take immediate effect.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Roads and Bridges.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting

Senate bill No. 18 (file No. 18), entitled

A bill to regulate the conditional sale of personal property sold for resale, and to provide for filing the contracts thereof.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 36 (file No. 116), entitled .

A bill to make an appropriation for the Michigan State Prison at Jackson, Michigan, for general repairs and special purposes for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

Was read a third time and, the question being on its passage,
Mr. Clarence J. Reed moved to amend the bill

1. By striking out of lines 5 and 6 of section 1 the words "seventy-seven thousand two hundred twenty" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "sixty thousand."

After debate,

Mr. Hinkley demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was seconded.

The motion made by Mr. Clarence J. Reed did not prevail, a majority of all the members-elect not voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Griggs	Mr. Moore	Mr. Smith, Newel
Anderson	Jones	Oakley	Van Antwerp
Bosch	Leland	Reed, C. J.	Vine
Clark	Matthews	Rogers	Warner
Gayde	Miller	Root	Wells

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NAYS.

Mr. Ashley	Mr. Francis	Mr. Nank	Mr. Shields
Averill	Gettel	Nelson	Snow
Biggerstaff	Green	O'Brien	Sours
Chapin	Hinkley	Olmsted	Stevens
Cowan	Hoffman	Ormsbee	Stevenson
Croll	Hopkins	Palmer	Sutton
Culver	Hulse	Penney	Symonds
Daigneau	Jerome, J. D.	Person	Tufts
Daprato	Jerome, Wm. F.	Petermann	Ward
De Boer	Kemmerling	Place	Watkins
Empson	Koehler	Quintel	Weissert
Evens	Kooyers	Rice	Whiteley
Ewing	Lamphere	Robertson	Wiley
Flowers	Lewis	Ross	Wolcott
Follett	McMillan	Schmidt	Wright
Foote	Martin	Sherman	Speaker
Ford, R. L.	Martz		

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The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Anderson	Mr. Ford, R. L.	Mr. Martin	Mr. Sherman
Ashley	Francis	Martz	Shields
Averill	Gayde	Matthews	Snow
Biggerstaff	Gettel	Moore	Sours
Bosch	Green	Nank	Stevens
Chapin	Griggs	Nelson	Stevenson
Clark	Hinkley	O'Brien	Sutton
Cowan	Hoffman	Olmsted	Symonds
Croll	Hopkins	Ormsbee	Tufts
Culver	Hulse	Palmer	Ward
Daigneau	Jerome, J. D.	Penney	Warner
Daprato	Jerome, W. F.	Person	Watkins
De Boer	Kemmerling	Petermann	Weissert

Mr. Empson	Mr. Koehler	Mr. Place	Mr. Wells
Evens	Kooyers	Quintel	Whiteley
Ewing	Lamphere	Rice	Wiley
Flowers	Leland	Robertson	Wolcott
Follett	Lewis	Ross	Wright
Foote	McMillan	Schmidt	Speaker

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NAYS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Reed, C. J.	Mr. Root	Mr. Van Antwerp
Miller	Rogers	Smith, Newel	Vine
Oakley			

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The question being on agreeing to the title of the bill,

Mr. Hinkley moved to amend the title so as to read as follows:

A bill to make an appropriation for the Michigan State Prison at Jackson, Michigan, for general repairs and special purposes for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1916, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

The motion prevailed.

The House agreed to the title of the bill as amended.

Mr. Hinkley moved that the bill be ordered to take immediate effect.

The motion prevailed, two-thirds of all the members-elect voting therefor.

Mr. Sheridan Ford entered the House and took his seat.

House bill No. 156 (file No. 107). entitled

A bill to amend section 15 of Act No. 207 of the Public Acts of 1889, entitled "An act to prohibit the manufacture, sale, keeping for sale, giving away or furnishing of vinous, malt, brewed, fermented, spirituous or intoxicating liquors, or any mixed liquors or beverages, any part of which is intoxicating, and to prohibit the keeping of any saloon or other place for the manufacture, sale, storing for sale, giving away or furnishing of such liquors or beverages, and to suspend the general laws of this State relative to the taxation and regulation of the manufacture and sale of such liquors in the several counties of this State under certain circumstances; to authorize the qualified electors of the several counties in this State to express their will in regard to such prohibition by an election, and to authorize and empower the board of supervisors of the several counties, after such election, if they shall determine the result to be in favor of such prohibition, to prohibit the manufacture, sale, keeping for sale, giving away or furnishing of the same within their respective counties; and to provide for penalties and rights of action in case of its violation," the same being section 5426 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as last amended by Act No. 170 of the Public Acts of 1903.

Was read a third time and the question being on its passage,

Mr. Follett moved to amend the bill

1. By inserting in line 17 of section 15 after the word "brewery" the word "now."

The motion did not prevail and the amendment was not adopted, a majority of all the members-elect not voting therefor.

Mr. Follett moved to amend the bill

2. By inserting in line 21 of section 15 after the word "brewery" the words "It shall be unlawful for any person, partnership or corporation operating a brewery as aforesaid to sell or deliver any malt and brewed liquors to any person or persons without first receiving the order therefor signed in writing by the person or persons purchasing the same, which order shall state the amount they desire to purchase, where to be delivered, the residence, including the street and number where said person ordering the same resides.

"That said orders when so received by any person, partnership or corporation operating breweries as aforesaid, shall be placed and kept on file subject to inspection by any person or persons desiring to inspect the same. Said persons, partnership or corporation operating breweries as aforesaid shall further keep a book in which shall be entered and kept the names of each and every person to whom said beverage is sold, which books shall also contain the date of the sale and the address of the person purchasing the same, which books shall be open for inspection at all reasonable times.

"And it shall be unlawful for any person, firm, partnership or corporation so operating a brewery to sell, furnish or give in any manner directly or indirectly, any of said malt and brewed liquors to any minor, to any person who is intoxicated, or in the habit of getting intoxicated, to habitual drunkards, and to all other persons when so forbidden in writing by the husband or wife, father or mother, son or daughter.

"Any and all persons violating the foregoing provisions of said section 15 shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be fined not to exceed two hundred dollars (\$200.00) and in default of the payment of the same shall be confined in the common jail of said county or State house of correction for a period not to exceed six months, or both said fine and imprisonment in the discretion of the court."

The motion did not prevail and the amendment was not adopted, a majority of all the members-elect not voting therefor.

Mr. Koehler moved to amend the bill.

By inserting in line 20, of section 15, after the word "gallons" the words "to parties who reside outside of said county."

The motion did not prevail, and the amendment was not adopted, a majority of all the members-elect not voting therefor.

Mr. Person moved to reconsider the vote whereby the following amendment was not adopted:

Amend by inserting in line 21 of section 15 after the word "brewery" the words "It shall be unlawful for any person, partnership or corporation operating a brewery as aforesaid to sell or deliver any malt and brewed liquors to any person or persons without first receiving the order therefor signed in writing by the person or persons purchasing the same, which order shall state the amount they desire to purchase, where to be delivered, the residence, including the street and number where said person ordering the same resides.

"That said orders when so received by any person, partnership or corporation operating breweries as aforesaid, shall be placed and kept on file subject to inspection by any person or persons desiring to inspect the same. Said persons, partnership or corporation operating breweries as aforesaid shall further keep a book in which shall be entered and kept the names of each and every person to whom said beverage is sold, which books shall also contain the date of the sale and the address of the person purchasing the same, which books shall be open for inspection at all reasonable times.

"And it shall be unlawful for any person, firm, partnership or corporation so operating a brewery to sell, furnish or give in any manner directly or indirectly, any of said malt and brewed liquors to any minor, to any person who is intoxicated, or in the habit of getting intoxicated, to habitual drunkards, and to all other persons when forbidden in writing by the husband or wife, father or mother, son or daughter.

"Any and all persons violating the foregoing provisions of said section 15 shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be fined not to exceed two hundred dollars (\$200.00) and in default of the payment of the same shall be confined in the common jail of said county or State house of correction for a period not to exceed six months or both said fine and imprisonment in the discretion of the court."

The motion prevailed.

The question being on the adoption of the motion to amend made by Mr. Follett,

The motion prevailed and the amendment was adopted, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor.

After debate,

Mr. Averill demanded the previous question.

The demand was seconded.

The question being, "Shall the main question be now put?"

The previous question was ordered.

The bill was then not passed, a majority of all the members-elect not voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Follett
Ford, R. L.

Mr. Kemmerling
Koehler

Mr. Person
Tufts

Mr. Ward
Whiteley

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NAYS.

Mr. Amon
Anderson
Ashley
Averill
Biggerstaff
Bosch
Chapin
Clark
Cowan
Croll
Culver
Daigneau

Mr. Francis
Gayde
Gettel
Green
Griggs
Hinkley
Hoffman
Hopkins
Hulse
Jerome, J. D.
Jerome, W. F.
Jones

Mr. Miller
Moore
Nank
Nelson
Oakley
O'Brien
Ormsbee
Palmer
Penney
Petermann
Place
Quintel

Mr. Shields
Smith, F. A.
Smith, Newel
Snow
Sours
Stevens
Stevenson
Sutton
Symonds
Van Antwerp
Vine
Warner

Mr. Daprato	Mr. Kooyers	Mr. Reed, C. J.	Mr. Watkins
De Boer	Lamphere	Rice	Weissert
Empson	Leland	Robertson	Wells
Evens	Lewis	Rogers	Wiley
Ewing	McMillan	Root	Wolcott
Flowers	Martin	Schmidt	Wright
Foote	Martz	Sherman	Speaker
Ford, Sheridan	Matthews		

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Mr. Person moved to reconsider the vote by which the House failed to pass the bill.

The motion did not prevail.

Mr. Hinkley moved that the House take a recess until 2:00 o'clock p. m.

The motion prevailed, the time being 12:02 p. m.

AFTER RECESS.

2:00 o'clock p. m.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

Messrs. Keen and Wieland entered the House and took their seats.

The House resumed the order of

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 257 (file No. 117), entitled

A bill to provide for the organization of mutual insurance companies to do a general automobile insurance business; to prescribe their powers and duties and to regulate the same.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Francis	Mr. Miller	Mr. Shields
Anderson	Gayde	Moore	Smith, F. A.
Ashley	Gettel	Nank	Smith, Newel
Averill	Green	Nelson	Snow
Biggerstaff	Griggs	Oakley	Sours
Bosch	Henry	O'Brien	Stevens
Chapin	Hinkley	Olmsted	Sutton
Clark	Hoffman	Ormsbee	Symonds
Cowan	Hopkins	Palmer	Tufts

Mr. Croll	Mr. Hulse	Mr. Penney	Mr. Van Antwerp
Culver	Jerome, J. D.	Person	Vine
Daigneau	Jerome, W. F.	Petermann	Ward
Daprato	Jones	Place	Warner
De Boer	Keen	Quintel	Watkins
Empson	Kemmerling	Reed, C. J.	Weissert
Evens	Koehler	Rice	Wells
Ewing	Kooyers	Robertson	Whiteley
Flowers	Lamphere	Rogers	Wieland
Follett	Leland	Root	Wiley
Foote	Lewis	Ross	Wolcott
Ford, R. L.	Martin	Schmidt	Wright
Ford, Sheridan	Matthews	Sherman	Speaker

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

House bill No. 342 (file No. 118), entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of part 4 of Act No. 10 of the Public Acts of the First Extra Session of 1912, entitled "An act to promote the welfare of the people of this State, relating to the liability of employers for injuries or death sustained by their employes, providing compensation for the accidental injury to or death of employes and methods for payment of the same, establishing an Industrial Accident Board, defining its powers, providing for a review of its awards, making an appropriation to carry out the provisions of this act, and restricting the right to compensation or damages in such cases to such as are provided by this act."

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Gettel	Mr. Nelson	Mr. Smith, F. A.
Anderson	Green	Oakley	Smith, Newel
Ashley	Henry	O'Brien	Snow
Averill	Hinkley	Olmsted	Sours
Biggerstaff	Hoffman	Ormsbee	Stevens
Chapin	Hopkins	Palmer	Symonds
Clark	Hulse	Penney	Tufts
Cowan	Jerome, W. F.	Person	Van Antwerp
Croll	Jones	Petermann	Vine
Culver	Keen	Place	Ward
Daigneau	Koehler	Quintel	Warner
De Boer	Kooyers	Reed, C. J.	Watkins
Empson	Lamphere	Rice	Weissert
Ewing	Leland	Robertson	Wells
Flowers	Lewis	Rogers	Whiteley
Follett	McMillan	Root	Wieland
Foote	Martin	Ross	Wiley
Ford, R. L.	Matthews	Schmidt	Wolcott
Ford, Sheridan	Miller	Sherman	Wright
Francis	Moore	Shields	Speaker
Gayde	Nank		

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

House bill No. 182 (file No. 121), entitled

A bill to provide for the protection from disturbance of foxes and other fur-bearing animals kept in captivity for breeding purposes and prescribing penalties for violations.

Was read a third time and, the question being on its passage,

Mr. Hopkins moved to amend the bill

1. By striking out of each of lines 2 of section 1, 3 of section 2 and 2 of section 3, the words "foxes or other."

The motion prevailed and the amendment was adopted, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor.

Mr. Warner moved to amend the bill

2. By striking out of line 2 of section 3 the word "rods" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "feet."

The motion prevailed and the amendment was adopted, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor.

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Francis	Mr. Moore	Mr. Snow
Anderson	Gayde	Nank	Sours
Ashley	Gettel	Oakley	Stevens
Averill	Green	O'Brien	Stevenson
Bosch	Henry	Olmsted	Sutton
Chapin	Hinkley	Ormsbee	Symonds
Clark	Hoffman	Penney	Tufts
Cowan	Hopkins	Person	Van Antwerp
Croll	Hulse	Petermann	Vine
Culver	Jerome, J. D.	Place	Ward
Daigneau	Jerome, W. F.	Quintel	Warner
Daprato	Jones	Reed, C. J.	Watkins
De Boer	Keen	Rice	Weissert
Empson	Kemmerling	Robertson	Wells
Evans	Koehler	Rogers	Whiteley
Ewing	Kooyers	Root	Wieland
Flowers	Lamphere	Ross	Wiley
Follett	Lewis	Schmidt	Wolcott
Foote	McMillan	Sherman	Wright
Ford, R. L.	Martin	Shields	Speaker
Ford, Sheridan	Miller	Smith, F. A.	

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Mr. Griggs	Mr. Matthews	Mr. Palmer	Mr. Smith, Newel
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The question being on agreeing to the title of the bill,

Mr. Hopkins moved to amend the title so as to read as follows:

A bill to provide for the protection from disturbance of fur-bearing animals kept in captivity for breeding purposes and prescribing penalties for violations.

The House agreed to the title of the bill as amended.

House bill No. 270 (file No. 124), entitled

A bill to repeal Act No. 316 of the Public Acts of 1905, entitled "An act for the protection of fish in the streams known as Grass river and Intermediate river, in Antrim county."

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefore, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Francis	Mr. Moore	Mr. Smith, F. A.
Anderson	Gayde	Nank	Smith, Newel
Ashley	Gettel	Nelson	Speaker
Averill	Green	Oakley	Snow
Biggerstaff	Griggs	O'Brien	Sours
Bosch	Henry	Olmsted	Stevens
Chapin	Hinkley	Ormsbee	Stevenson
Clark	Hoffman	Palmer	Sutton
Cowan	Hopkins	Penney	Symonds
Croll	Hulse	Person	Tufts
Culver	Jerome, J. D.	Petermann	Van Antwerp
Daigneau	Jerome, W. F.	Place	Vine
Daprato	Jones	Quintel	Ward
De Boer	Kemmerling	Reed, C. J.	Warner
Empson	Koehler	Rice	Watkins
Evens	Kooyers	Robertson	Weissert
Ewing	Leland	Rogers	Wells
Flowers	Lewis	Root	Whiteley
Follett	McMillan	Ross	Wieland
Footo	Martin	Schmidt	Wiley
Ford, R. L.	Matthews	Sherman	Wolcott
Ford, Sheridan	Miller	Shields	Wright

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NAYS.

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM STATE OFFICERS.

The following communication from the Auditor General was received and read:

March 23, 1915.

Hon. C. W. Smith, Speaker, House of Representatives, Lansing, Michigan.

Sir:—In compliance with House concurrent resolution No. 16, I submit the following statement and in furnishing the information requested I state each question in the resolution and the answer thereto.

First. What is the total number of mineral reservation descriptions returned delinquent to date?

Answer: Total number returned delinquent, not including those returned for village taxes only:

Counties.	Tax of 1912.	Tax of 1913.	Total.
Alger.....	15	26	41
Baraga.....	398	380	778
Delta.....	44	50	94
Dickinson.....	5,671	4,572	10,243
Gogebic.....	3,219	4,386	7,605
Houghton.....	42	97	139
Iron.....	2,500	2,520	5,020
Keweenaw.....	4	1	5
Marquette.....	1,615	1,062	2,677
Menominee.....	4,946	5,379	10,325
Ontonagon.....	515	857	1,372
Schoolcraft.....	87	89	176
Totals.....	19,056	19,419	38,475

Second. What is the total number of mineral reservations paid to date?

Answer: We have no means of knowing the number of descriptions on which the taxes were paid to the city, village or township treasurers. The following is the number on which the tax has been paid to the county treasurers or to the Auditor General since they were returned delinquent:

Counties.	Tax of 1912.	Tax of 1913.	Total.
Baraga.....	62	3	65
Delta.....	7	6	13
Dickinson.....	1,472	575	2,047
Gogebic.....	650	1,296	1,946
Houghton.....	1	45	46
Iron.....	651	332	983
Keweenaw.....	1	.....	1
Marquette.....	406	114	610
Menominee.....	549	383	932
Ontonagon.....	99	267	366
Schoolcraft.....	32	33	65
Totals.....	4,020	3,054	7,074

Third. What is the total number of mineral reservations assessed to date?

Answer: As the total number of descriptions assessed is not reported to the Auditor General, I cannot state the number assessed in 1913. but in 1912, the first year mineral reservations were assessed, I examined the assessment rolls and found the following number assessed in that year:

	Assessed in 1912.
Alger	89
Baraga	531
Chippewa	3
Delta	453
Dickinson	8,881
Gogebic	5,893
Houghton	2,644
Iron	5,625
Keweenaw	4
Marquette	5,012
Menominee	5,595
Ontonagon	911
Schoolcraft	192
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The above does not include the descriptions assessed for village taxes only.

Fourth. What is the total number of assessed mineral reservations rejected for divers reasons?

Answer: The county treasurers do not report the number of descriptions they reject. The number rejected by the Auditor General since the taxes were returned as delinquent is as follows:

Counties.	Assessed in 1912.	Assessed in 1913.	Total.
Alger		1	1
Baraga	60	16	76
Delta	1		1
Dickinson	245	135	380
Gogebic	210	155	365
Houghton	5	28	33
Iron	534	222	756
Keweenaw	20	25	45
Marquette	95	20	115
Menominee	676	473	1,149
Ontonagon	136	152	288
Schoolcraft		6	6
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Totals	1,982	1,233	3,215

Fifth. Enumerate by counties the total number of mineral reservations returned delinquent?

Answer: Answered in the answer to the first question.

Sixth. What is the assessed value of the mineral reservations returned delinquent to date?

Answer: The assessed value of mineral reservations returned to date is (not including those assessed for village tax only):

Assessed in 1912	\$676,562 73
Assessed in 1913	720,322 18
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Total	\$1,396,884 91

The returns for the year 1914 have not been received.

Seventh. What is the total revenue realized by the State on assessed mineral reservations paid to date?

Answer: The following is a statement of the amount paid in taxes and charges to the county treasurers and Auditor General on descriptions of mineral reservations returned delinquent:

Counties.	State tax.	Other taxes.	Interest, collection fee and charges.	Total.
Baraga.....	\$2 51	\$20 87	\$3 39	\$26 77
Delta.....	77	8 26	25	4 28
Dickinson.....	382 98	3,510 34	918 97	4,812 29
Gogebic.....	163 21	881 50	292 65	1,337 36
Houghton.....	19 51	116 30	21 53	157 34
Iron.....	210 30	1,905 77	302 37	2,418 44
Keweenaw.....	9 63	27 21	11 31	48 15
Marquette.....	112 22	959 95	130 48	1,202 65
Menominee.....	45 50	260 80	25 29	331 59
Ontonagon.....	70 86	601 18	96 91	768 95
Schoolcraft.....	1 53	10 70	1 18	13 41
Totals.....	\$1,019 02	\$8,297 88	\$1,804 33	\$11,121 23

Eighth. Enumerate by counties the cost to the State of advertising pursuant to the statute the mineral reservation descriptions returned delinquent?

Answer: The following number of descriptions of mineral reservations was advertised for sale for the taxes of 1912, (including those advertised for village taxes); and the amount paid is at the rate of 40 cents a description less the number of descriptions that may be erroneously printed:

Counties.	Number of descriptions.	Amount.
Alger.....	16	\$6 40
Baraga.....	260	104 00
Delta.....	36	14 40
Dickinson.....	4,235	1,694 00
Gogebic.....	2,569	1,027 60
Houghton.....	37	14 80
Iron.....	2,604	1,041 60
Keweenaw.....	253	101 20
Marquette.....	1,031	412 40
Menominee.....	3,710	1,484 00
Ontonagon.....	301	120 40
Schoolcraft.....	52	20 80
Totals.....	15,104	\$6,041 60

Ninth. What is the additional departmental expense to the Auditor General's department occasioned by increased duties caused by operation of this statute?

Answer: The estimated additional expense to the department of the Auditor General caused by the increased number of descriptions of min-

eral reservations returned for the past two years for the salaries of clerks and other office expenses is \$13,000.00.

Tenth. What disposition has been made of the Auditor General's petition for sale of delinquent mineral reservation taxes in the several counties?

Answer: The petition of the Auditor General relative to the sale for taxes on descriptions of mineral reservations was objected to in the counties of Baraga, Gogebic, Iron, Menominee and Ontonagon and I understand will be objected to in Dickinson county.

The court sustained the objections in all of the counties where they were made with the exception of Baraga county. The attorney for the objectors has appealed from the decision of the court in that county and the Attorney General has appealed in behalf of the State from the decisions in the other counties; and as an evidence of the difficulty of making a valid assessment of mineral reservations, I quote the following testimony of one of the assessing officers in Iron county at the time of the hearing of the objections to the petition of the Auditor General:

"CHARLES W. HUGHES, sworn on behalf of objectors, testified as follows:

MR. SHERWOOD:

Q. You were supervisor of the township of Hematite in this county in 1912?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. And you placed the valuation in that township upon the lands of these objectors on what you have called in your roll, mineral reservation?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. Did you know, in 1912, of any known deposit of ores or minerals upon any of these descriptions?

A. No, sir.

Q. In getting at that value, how did you reach the value?

A. Why, we had a meeting of the county board; we all agreed that we had no way of finding out what was under the surface, and put on a flat rate.

Q. You mean that the supervisors of the county agreed to assess the mineral estate in these lands that had been reserved, at a flat rate?

A. Yes.

Q. Regardless of location or any valuation of one compared with another, or anything of that sort?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. And that was because none of you knew anything about the value of this mineral estate in this reservation?

A. No; no way of finding out where it was.

Q. It was arbitrarily fixed at this flat rate by an agreement between the supervisors of the county?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. And in assessing Hematite township you carried out that agreement?

A. Yes.

Q. And the board of review of your township followed out that assessment and that agreement?

A. Yes, sir.

COURT:

Q. What was the rate?

A. A dollar an acre.

Q. You were well acquainted with the lands in that township?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. Did you consider the mineral rights in the lands in that township worth that much?

A. We put it at a dollar an acre.

Q. What was your best judgment as to the value of the mineral rights in these lands?

A. A dollar an acre.

Q. You thought that was a fair value?

A. Yes, sir. I didn't see any other way of getting at it.

MR. SHERWOOD:

Q. You thought some of those lands on which minerals were reserved were worth more than others?

A. If we knew where the mineral was.

COURT:

Q. If you knew where the mineral was, did you fix the rate?

A. No, because we were not positive.

Q. If you were not positive, you didn't know?

A. No.

Q. Where you knew there was mineral, did you fix the rate?

A. I didn't know where there was any mineral, or not.

MR. SHERWOOD:

Q. In other words, this was an arbitrary fixing of the values; and some, in your judgment, were worth more than that, and some less than that?

A. Yes."

It is apparent from the testimony of the assessing officer that it is impossible to determine the value of the minerals or the mineral reservation, especially where there is no way of knowing whether deposits of minerals exist or not.

Respectfully,

O. B. FULLER,

Auditor General.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Drainage, by Mr. Moore, Chairman, reported House bill No. 131, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 3, section 3 of chapter 4, section 1 of chapter 5, section 1 of chapter 7 and section 1 of chapter 8, and to add one new section to chapter 9 of Act No. 254 of the Public Acts of 1897, entitled "An act to provide for the construction and maintenance of drains, and the assessment and collection of taxes therefor, and to

repeal all other laws relative thereto," being sections 4319, 4342, 4344, 4371 and 4379 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended.

With a substitute therefor, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1 and 2 of chapter III; section 3 of chapter IV; section 1 of chapter V; section 1 of chapter VII; and section 1 of chapter VIII; of Act No. 254 of the Public Acts of 1897, as amended, entitled "An act to provide for the construction and maintenance of drains, and the assessment and collection of taxes therefor," the same being sections 4319, 4320, 4342, 4344, 4371 and 4379 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, and to add a new section to chapter IX to stand as section 13.

Recommending that the substitute be concurred in and that the bill as substituted pass.

The committee further recommended that the bill be known as the "Smith-Evens-Haviland bill."

The question being on the adoption of the proposed substitute recommended by the committee,

The substitute was adopted.

The question being on the further recommendation made by the committee, that the bill be known as the "Smith-Evens-Haviland bill,"

The recommendation was concurred in.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Public Health, by Mr. Newel Smith, chairman, reported

Senate bill No. 114 (file No. 160), entitled

A bill to amend Act No. 98 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act providing for the supervision and control by the State Board of Health over waterworks systems and sewage disposal systems, and providing for the appointment, duties, salary and expenses of a State sanitary engineer, and providing penalties and defining liabilities for violations of this act; and to repeal Act No. 28 of the Public Acts of 1909," by adding thereto a new section to be known as section 14, relative to the appointment of assistant sanitary engineers.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Public Health, by Mr. Newel Smith, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 223, entitled

A bill to amend section 6 of chapter 83 of the Revised Statutes of 1846, entitled "Of marriage and the solemnization thereof," said section being compiler's section 8593 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by Act No. 247 of the Public Acts of 1899, as amended by Act No. 136 of the Public Acts of 1905, and to add three new sections 6a, 6b and 6c.

Without recommendation.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

Mr. Oakley moved that the bill be printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the General Orders.

Mr. Flowers offered the following resolution:

House resolution No. 42.

Whereas, It has been freely stated that the passage of House bill No. 302 (file No. 91), will entail a large cost to the State; therefore be it

Resolved, That the Attorney General be requested to furnish this House with an opinion as to whether the passage of said bill will entail such cost.

The resolution was adopted.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

A message was received from the Senate requesting the House to grant the use of the House chamber at the close of today's session of the Senate for an address to be delivered to the members of both the House and the Senate by Dr. Wilbur F. Crafts, of Washington, D. C., on "The Bible in the Public Schools."

Mr. Averill moved that the use of the House chamber be granted after the close of the session of the House of Representatives today for the meeting of the members of both Houses to listen to an address by Dr. Crafts.

The motion prevailed.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Symonds introduced

House bill No. 393, entitled

A bill authorizing the appointment of a commission to investigate the matter of intrastate passenger rates; conferring such powers upon said commission as may be necessary from such investigation; authorizing the employment of necessary assistants therefor, and making an appropriation for the purpose of the act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Miller introduced

House bill No. 394, entitled

A bill to prohibit the driving of automobiles or motor vehicles by persons under the influence of liquor and to provide penalties for violations.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Watkins introduced

House bill No. 395, entitled

A bill to amend section 14 of Act No. 193 of the Public Acts of 1895, entitled "An act to prohibit and prevent adulteration, fraud and deception in the manufacture and sale of articles of food and drink," the same being section 5023 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Public Health.

GENERAL ORDERS OF THE DAY.

Mr. Stevens moved that the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole on the general orders.

The motion prevailed.

The Speaker called Mr. Stevens to the chair.

After a time spent in the consideration of bills upon the general orders, the committee rose, and, through its chairman, made a report recommending the passage, without amendment, of the following entitled bills:

Senate bill No. 147 (file No. 104), entitled

A bill to provide for the establishment of a general hospital department in the Traverse City State Hospital, to provide for the government thereof and for the reception and treatment of patients seeking medical or surgical aid therein.

House bill No. 133 (file No. 131), entitled

A bill to amend section 28 and section 29 of Act No. 278 of the Public Acts of 1907, entitled "An act to organize a State Psychopathic Hospital, to provide for the management thereof, and making an appropriation therefor, and to repeal Act 161 of the Public Acts of 1901 and Act 140 of the Public Acts of 1905."

House bill No. 177 (file No. 132), entitled

A bill making appropriations for current expenses and for special purposes for the Michigan College of Mines at Houghton for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

House bill No. 92 (file No. 133), entitled

A bill making appropriations for the Northern State Normal School for current expenses and for special purposes, for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

Senate bill No. 119 (file No. 129), entitled

A bill to repeal Act No. 612 of the Local Acts of 1905, entitled "An act to provide for the locating and establishing of drains within the county of Ionia," approved June 7, 1905.

Senate bill No. 79 (file No. 166), entitled

A bill to repeal Act No. 69 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act providing for State inspection of sugar beet testing, weighing and taring, the appointment of inspectors, and the payment for their services," approved April 16, 1913, and to provide for the disposal of moneys accrued under said act, and remaining in the State treasury.

House bill No. 248 (file No. 128), entitled

A bill to amend sections 3, 4, 6 and 9 of Act No. 242 of the Public Acts of 1863, entitled "An act for the incorporation of hospitals or asylums, in cases where valuable grants or emoluments have been made to trustees for such purposes and the several acts amendatory thereof."

House bill No. 320 (file No. 129), entitled

A bill to amend sections 10 and 11 of chapter 171 of the Revised Statutes of 1846, entitled "Of county jails and the regulation thereof," being sections 2659 and 2660 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as last amended by Act No. 10 of the Public Acts of 1909.

House bill No. 336 (file No. 134), entitled

A bill to amend section 6 of Act No. 217 of the Public Acts of 1897, entitled "An act to provide for the registration of deaths in Michigan and requiring certificates of death," being compiler's section 4619 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

House bill No. 341 (file No. 140), entitled

A bill to amend section 97 of chapter 90 of title XXI of the Revised Statutes of 1846 of the State of Michigan, being compiler's section No. 502 of the Compiled Laws of the State of Michigan of 1897, relating to the powers of courts of chancery to stay proceedings at law.

House bill No. 363 (file No. 141), entitled

A bill to amend section 6 of chapter 28 of Act No. 183 of the Public Acts of 1897, approved May 29, 1897, being an act entitled "An act to provide for the appointment and to fix the term of office, duties and compensation of circuit court stenographers in the State of Michigan," being compiler's section 368 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

House bill No. 272 (file No. 142), entitled

A bill to amend section 16 of chapter 163 of the Revised Statutes of Michigan of 1846, entitled "Of the arrest and examination of offenders, commitment for trial and taking bail," being compiler's section 11853 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

House bill No. 334 (file No. 143), entitled

A bill to amend sections 6 and 12 of Act 135 of the Public Acts of 1911, entitled "An act to encourage private forestry, the care and management thereof, and to provide for the exemption from taxation of such private forest reserve."

The Committee of the Whole reported

House bill No. 251 (file No. 87), entitled

A bill to regulate the hours of labor of laborers, workmen and mechanics employed in the erection, construction, remodeling or repairing of any public building or works and providing penalties for violations.

Recommending the adoption of the following amendments thereto, and the passage of the bill when so amended:

1. Amend by striking out of line 3 of section 1 the words "or any municipal subdivision."

2. Amend by striking out of line 2 of section 2 the words "or any municipal subdivision thereof."

3. Amend by inserting in line 1 of section 3 after the word "a" the word "state."

The question being on the adoption of the proposed amendments made by the committee,

The amendments were adopted and the bill was placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

The Committee of the Whole reported

Senate bill No. 170 (file No. 120), entitled

A bill to amend sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 of Act No. 256 of the Public Acts of 1911, entitled "An act to encourage the breeding of horses, to regulate the public service of stallions, to request the registration of stallions and to provide for the enforcement thereof," and to add a new section thereto to stand as section 9, and to repeal Act No. 28 of the Public Acts of 1887, Act No. 166 of the Public Acts of 1905 and Act No. 145 of the Public Acts of 1907, and all acts amendatory thereto.

Recommending the adoption of the following amendment thereto and the passage of the bill when so amended:

1. Amend by striking out of line 10 (as amended) of section 5 the words "own residence" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "premises."

The question being on the adoption of the proposed amendment made by the committee,

The amendment was adopted and the bill was placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

The Committee of the Whole reported

House bill No. 301 (file No. 119), entitled

A bill to license and regulate the loaning of money in cities and villages of this State in sums of three hundred dollars and less, upon chattel securities, or endorsement, or upon salaries or wage earnings, or without security, and prescribing rates of interest and charges therefor, and penalties for violations thereof, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions thereof.

Recommending the adoption of the following amendments thereto, and the passage of the bill when so amended:

1. Amend by inserting in line 11, of section 2, after the word "dollars" the words "except that in cities of the fourth class the license fee shall be fifteen dollars."

2. Amend by striking out of line 12, of section 2, the words "twenty-five dollars" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "fifteen dollars."

The question being on the adoption of the proposed amendments made by the committee.

The amendments were adopted and the bill was placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

The Committee of the Whole reported

House bill No. 315 (file No. 123), entitled

A bill to provide for the protection of all species of edible frogs in this State; to regulate the sale, and having in possession of frogs or portion of the carcass thereof and providing penalties for the violation of this act.

Recommending the adoption of the following amendment thereto, and the passage of the bill when so amended:

1. Amend by inserting in line 3. of section 1, after the word "following" the words "and it shall be unlawful at any time to spear frogs by the aid of artificial light."

The question being on the adoption of the proposed amendment made by the committee,

The amendment was adopted and the bill was placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

The Committee of the Whole reported

House bill No. 79 (file No. 126), entitled

A bill to prohibit the hunting of rabbits with ferrets and guinea pigs; exempting from its provisions farmers and fruit growers hunting on their own lands, and those townships wherein electors so decide by referendum; prescribing penalty for violation; and repealing Act No. 180 of the Public Acts of 1911, entitled "An act to prohibit the hunting of rabbits with ferrets or guinea pigs," and all other acts or parts of acts in contravention therewith.

Recommending the adoption of the following amendments thereto, and the passage of the bill when so amended:

1. Amend by inserting in line 4 of section 1 after the word "pigs" the words "or any other rodent."

2. Amend by inserting in line 2 of section 1 after the word "pig" the words "or any other rodent."

3. Amend by inserting in line 1, section 2, after the word "pigs" the words "or any other rodent."

4. Amend by inserting in line 20, of section 2, after the word "elections" the following:

"The vote upon the submission of the provisions of this act shall be by ballot in substantially the following form:

"Vote on the proposition: Shall it be lawful to make use of a ferret or guinea pig or other rodent for the purpose of taking, hunting, killing or pursuing rabbits in the township of

(Make a cross (x) in the appropriate square below.)

() Shall it be lawful to make use of a ferret or guinea pig or other rodent for the purpose of hunting, taking, killing or pursuing rabbits in the township of? Yes.

() Shall it be lawful to make use of a ferret or guinea pig or other rodent for the purpose of hunting, taking, killing or pursuing rabbits in the township of? No.

Ballots shall be furnished by the township board of the township in which submission of this question shall be requested by the requisite number of qualified petitioners of such township, and when voted shall be deposited in a ballot box provided for that purpose. The result of said vote shall be certified to the county clerk and by him to the board of supervisors of the county of which said township is a part, and such county clerk shall also certify the result of such vote to the Secretary of State; the result of such election shall also be publicly announced at the polls after the counting of the ballots, and from that time this act will be effective in accordance with the result of such vote."

The question being on the adoption of the proposed amendments made by the committee,

The amendments were adopted and the bill was placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

The Committee of the Whole reported
House bill No. 357 (file No. 127), entitled

A bill to amend sections 15 and 18 of Act No. 275 of the Public Acts of 1911, entitled "An act to provide for the protection of game and birds, to regulate the taking, possession, use and transportation of the same, to prohibit the sale thereof, to regulate the manner of hunting, pursuing and killing of game or birds, to provide a penalty for the violation of any of the provisions of this act, and to repeal inconsistent acts and parts of acts," as last amended by Act No. 167 of the Public Acts of 1913.

Recommending the adoption of the following amendments thereto, and the passage of the bill when so amended:

1. Amend by striking out of section 15 the balance of the section after the word "fowl" in line 35.

2. Amend by striking out of lines 11, 12 and 13 of section 18 the words "geese and brant, pin-tail, red-head, blue-bill, whistler, butter-ball and widgeon, September one to April thirty, both inclusive."

3. Amend by striking out of line 15 of section 18 the word "fifteen" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "twenty."

4. Amend by striking out of line 17, of section 18, the word "seventeen" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "twenty."

The question being on the adoption of the proposed amendments made by the committee,

The amendments were adopted and the bill was placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

The Committee of the Whole reported
House bill No. 94 (file No. 135), entitled

A bill to amend Act 146 of the Public Acts of 1879, entitled "An act to authorize boards of health of cities, villages and townships, to furnish vaccination to the inhabitants thereof," approved February 15, 1879, being compiler's section 4465 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

Recommending the adoption of the following amendments thereto, and the passage of the bill when so amended:

1. Amend by striking out of line 4 of section 1, after the word "child," the words "not previously vaccinated or inoculated."

2. Amend by striking out of line 5 of section 1 after the word "persons" the words "who have not been vaccinated or inoculated within the preceding five years."

3. Amend by inserting in line 7 of section 1 after the word "vaccinated" the words "or inoculated."

The question being on the adoption of the proposed amendments made by the committee,

The amendments were adopted and the bill was placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

The Committee of the Whole reported
House bill No. 344 (file No. 144), entitled

A bill to amend section 5 of Act No. 326 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to provide for the leasing, control and taxation of certain lands owned and controlled by the State and the improvements

thereon; providing penalties for the violation of certain provisions thereof and repealing Act No. 215 of the Public Acts of 1909, and all other acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith," and to add to said act four new sections to stand as sections 27, 28, 29 and 30.

Recommending the adoption of the following amendment thereto, and the passage of the bill when so amended:

1. Amend by striking out of line 7 of section 27 the words "one mile" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "five hundred feet."

The question being on the adoption of the proposed amendment made by the committee,

The amendment was adopted and the bill was placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

The Committee of the Whole reported progress on

House bill No. 250 (file No. 122), entitled

A bill to amend sections 1 and 3 of Act 137 of the Public Acts of 1883, entitled "An act to specify certain duties of health officers and to provide for compensation therefor, in townships, cities and villages where a health officer is not otherwise instructed by the local board of health," the same being sections 4460 and 4462 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

Recommending that the bill be given further consideration.

The recommendation was concurred in, and the committee was given leave further to consider the bill.

The Committee of the Whole reported progress on

House bill No. 150 (file No. 125), entitled

A bill to amend section 9 of Act No. 198 of the Laws of 1873, entitled "An act to revise the laws providing for the incorporation of the railroad, bridge and tunnel companies, and to regulate the running and management, and to fix the duties and liabilities of all railroad, bridge, tunnel and other corporations owning or operating any railroad, bridge, or tunnel within this State," as amended, said section being compiler's section 6234 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

Recommending that the bill be given further consideration.

The recommendation was concurred in, and the committee was given leave further to consider the bill.

The Committee of the Whole reported progress on

House bill No. 275 (file No. 145), entitled

A bill to provide a method for the election of county superintendents of the poor in counties so desiring to elect such officials.

Recommending that the bill be given further consideration.

The recommendation was concurred in, and the committee was given leave further to consider the bill.

The Committee of the Whole reported progress on

House bill No. 236 (file No. 146), entitled

A bill to provide for the licensing by the township board of billiard and pool rooms outside of incorporated cities and villages.

Recommending that the bill be given further consideration.

The recommendation was concurred in, and the committee was given leave further to consider the bill.

Mr. James D. Jerome moved that the House adjourn.

The motion prevailed, the time being 5:15 o'clock p. m.

The Speaker declared the House adjourned until tomorrow at 2:00 o'clock p. m.

CHARLES S. PIERCE,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.

FIFTY-SECOND DAY.

Lansing, Wednesday, March 24.

2:00 o'clock p. m.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

Religious exercises were conducted by Rev. U. M. McGuire, of the Baptist Church, of Sullivan, Ind.

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk, who announced that a quorum was present.

Messrs. Edwards, Haviland and Sly were absent with leave.

Messrs. Thomas Read and Newel Smith were absent without leave.

Mr. Schmidt moved that all absentees without leave be excused from today's session.

The motion prevailed.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

Mr. Matthews presented

Petition No. 965.

Petition of Ambrose M. Helmick and 37 other citizens of Oronoko, Berrien county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 214, providing for Statewide prohibition.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Matthews presented

Petition No. 966.

Petition of Fred Schneck and 40 other citizens of Stevensville, Berrien county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 337, providing for and limiting the taxes to be spread and assessed against property within the limits of an incorporated village.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Matthews presented

Petition No. 967.

Petition of T. N. Chilson and 13 other members of the Methodist Episcopal Sunday School of Galien, Berrien county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 65, relative to the reading of the Holy Bible in the public schools of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Matthews presented

Petition No. 968.

Petition of L. B. Rough and 26 other citizens of Bertrand, Berrien county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 65, relative to the reading of the Holy Bible in the public schools of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Matthews presented

Petition No. 969.

Petition of Aug. F. Bliesmer and 16 other citizens of New Buffalo, Berrien county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 337, providing for and limiting the taxes to be spread and assessed against property within the limits of an incorporated village.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Matthews presented

Petition No. 970.

Petition of D. D. Pangborn and 56 other members of the congregation of the Methodist Episcopal church of Buchanan, Berrien county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 65, relative to the reading of the Holy Bible in the public schools of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Matthews presented

Petition No. 971.

Petition of W. D. Caldenwood and 19 other citizens of Berrien Springs, Berrien county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 65, relative to the reading of the Holy Bible in the public schools of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Follett presented

Petition No. 972.

Petition of F. A. Pollard and 9 other citizens of Mikado, Alcona county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 337, providing for and limiting the taxes to be spread and assessed against property within the limits of an incorporated village.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Follett presented

Petition No. 973.

Petition of Frances A. McMillan and 82 other citizens of Richland, Ogemaw county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 214, providing for State-wide prohibition.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Clarence J. Reed presented

Petition No. 974.

Protest of Oney Sidwell and 24 other citizens of Spring Arbor, Jackson county, against any change in the rate of passenger fares charged by the railroads of the State.

The protest was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Vine presented

Petition No. 975.

Petition of James Morley and 46 other citizens of Fairfield, Lenawee county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 214, providing for State-wide prohibition.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Ward presented

Petition No. 976.

Petition of Alex. Sowkosky and 21 other citizens of Saginaw, Saginaw county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Foote presented

Petition No. 977.

Petition of Fred W. French and 27 other citizens of Grandville, Kent county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 337 providing for and limiting the taxes to be spread and assessed against property within the limits of an incorporated village.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Ransom L. Ford presented

Petition No. 978.

Petition of J. Eckles and 63 other citizens of Montrose, Genesee county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 337, providing for and limiting the taxes to be spread and assessed against property within the limits of an incorporated village.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Sheridan Ford presented

Petition No. 979.

Petition of A. C. Marshall and 53 other citizens of Detroit, Wayne county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Place presented

Petition No. 980.

Petition of Geo. E. Shank and 55 other citizens of Mendon, St. Joseph county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 337, providing for and limiting the taxes to be spread and assessed against property within the limits of an incorporated village.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Quintel presented
Petition No. 981.

Petition of James Cotler and 60 other teachers of Bay county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 64, relative to a retirement fund for teachers.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Pray presented
Petition No. 982.

Petition of E. D. Barber and 103 other citizens of Eaton county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 337, providing for and limiting the taxes to be spread and assessed against property within the limits of an incorporated village.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Wolcott presented
Petition No. 983.

Petition of C. O. Miller and 39 other citizens of Marshall, Calhoun county, in favor of the passage of Senate bill No. 91 (file No. 64), relative to providing for procedure in courts of chancery, to enjoin and abate houses of lewdness, assignation and prostitution.

The petition was referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Wolcott presented
Petition No. 984.

Petition of Mrs. Will Lehman and 49 other citizens of LeRoy township, Calhoun county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 214, providing for State-wide prohibition.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Sherman presented
Petition No. 985.

Petition of Wm. J. Spears and 16 other citizens of Vassar, Tuscola county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Sherman presented
Petition No. 986.

Petition of E. Dutcher and 43 other citizens of Kingston, Tuscola county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 337, providing for and limiting the taxes to be spread and assessed against property within the limits of an incorporated village.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Biggerstaff presented
Petition No. 987.

Petition of Edmond W. Chase and 25 other citizens of Kalamazoo, Kalamazoo county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 31, (file No. 25), requiring insurance agents and solicitors to be licensed.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Insurance.

Mr. Biggerstaff presented
Petition No. 988.

Resolutions adopted by the Kalamazoo Real Estate Exchange, of Kalamazoo, Kalamazoo county, protesting against the passage of House bill No. 142, commonly known as the "Torrens bill," providing for the simplifying of the transfer of real estate.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Oakley presented
Petition No. 989.

Protest of Henry Horn and 30 other citizens of Bay county, against the passage of any law imposing burdensome conditions or high license for selling domestic and stock remedies, spices, extracts, etc., by retail from wagons.

The protest was referred to the Committee on Public Health.

Mr. Oakley presented
Petition No. 990.

Protest of Franz Fitz and 65 other citizens of Sebewaing, Huron county, against the passage of any law imposing burdensome conditions or high license for selling domestic and stock remedies, spices, extracts, etc., by retail from wagons.

The protest was referred to the Committee on Public Health.

The Speaker presented
Petition No. 991.

Petition of C. B. Jones and 151 other citizens of Lapeer county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 214, providing for State-wide prohibition.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Frank A. Smith presented
Petition No. 992.

Petition of E. A. McManns and 100 other citizens of Wexford county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 337, providing for and limiting the taxes to be spread and assessed against property within the limits of an incorporated village.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Frank A. Smith presented
Petition No. 993.

Protest of E. B. Brooks and 2 other citizens of Hoxeyville, Wexford county, against any change in the rate of passenger fares charged by the railroads of the State.

The protest was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Foote presented
Petition No. 994.

Petition of B. Schutle and 27 other citizens of East Grand Rapids, Kent county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 337, providing for and limiting the taxes to be spread and assessed against property within the limits of an incorporated village.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Miller presented

Petition No. 995.

Petition of Martha Wilson and 37 other citizens of Howard City, Montcalm county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 214, providing for State-wide prohibition.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Miller presented

Petition No. 996.

Petition of John J. Bale, President, and 49 other citizens of Lakeview, Montcalm county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 337, providing for and limiting the taxes to be spread and assessed against property within the limits of an incorporated village.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Miller presented

Petition No. 997.

Protest of George Brown and 20 other citizens of Montcalm county, against the passage of any law imposing burdensome conditions or high license for selling domestic and stock remedies, spices, extracts, etc., by retail from wagons.

The protest was referred to the Committee on Public Health.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY CLERK OF PRINTING OF BILLS.

The Clerk announced that the following named bills had been printed and placed upon the files of the members Wednesday, March 24:

House bill No. 368 (file No. 147), entitled

A bill to amend sections 1, 2, 4, 16, 17, 18, 19, 21, 22, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 34, 35, 36, 39, 41 and 55 of Act No. 281 of the Public Acts of the State of Michigan for the year 1909, entitled "An act relative to the nomination of party candidates for public office and delegates to political conventions, to regulate primary elections and to prescribe penalties for violations of its provisions, and to provide for the printing upon election ballots of the names of candidates nominated under the terms of this act, and to repeal Act No. 4 of the Public Acts of the Extra Session of the year 1907, and all local primary election acts contravening the provisions of this act, except as in this act otherwise provided," as amended by Act No. 279 of the Public Acts of 1911, and by Act No. 118 of the Public Acts of 1913, and to add six new sections to said act to stand as sections 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 thereof.

House bill No. 325 (file No. 148), entitled

A bill to provide for the appointment of a dairy and food commissioner by the State Board of Agriculture, to prescribe the powers and duties and fix the salary of such dairy and food commissioner, his deputy, clerks, assistants and inspectors, providing an appropriation therefor and a tax to meet the same, and to repeal sections 1, 2 and 3 of Act No. 211 of the Public Acts of 1893, as amended, and all other acts and parts of acts contravening the provisions of this act.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Ways and Means, by Mr. Hinkley, Chairman, reported

Senate bill No. 19 (file No. 19), entitled

A bill making appropriations for the Michigan Soldiers' Home for current expenses for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, and to provide a tax therefor.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Ways and Means, by Mr. Hinkley, Chairman, reported

Senate bill No. 39 (file No. 32), entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the Michigan Soldiers' Home for building and special purposes, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1916, and for the refunding of excess pension money, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Roads and Bridges, by Mr. Daprato, Chairman, reported

Senate bill No. 55 (file No. 165), entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of Act No. 334 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to provide for the establishment, survey, improvement and maintenance of State reward trunk line highways, to provide for the payment of double State reward thereon, to define the duties of State, county, good roads district and township officers in regard thereto, and to appropriate funds to carry out the provisions thereof," approved May 13, 1913.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Judiciary, by Mr. Flowers, Chairman, reported
House bill No. 214, entitled

A bill to regulate judicial procedure in civil and criminal cases.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Judiciary, by Mr. Flowers, Chairman, reported
House bill No. 141, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of Act No. 135 of the Public Acts of 1909,

entitled "An act authorizing the appointment of certain officers for the Supreme Court," approved May 26, 1909.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The Committee on Judiciary, by Mr. Flowers, Chairman, reported House bill No. 24 (file No. 10), entitled

A bill to amend sections 10, 11, 12, 13 and 16 of chapter 81 of the Revised Statutes of 1846, entitled "Fraudulent conveyances and contracts relative to personal property," being sections 9523, 9524, 9525, 9526 and 9529 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, said section 9523 being last amended by Act No. 332 of the Public Acts of 1907.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Judiciary, by Mr. Flowers, Chairman, reported House bill No. 34, entitled

A bill to amend section 32 of Act No. 183 of the Public Acts of 1897, entitled "An act to provide for the appointment and to fix the term of office, duties and compensation of circuit court stenographers in the State of Michigan," approved May 29, 1897, being section 394 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, relative to the compensation of circuit court stenographer in the nineteenth judicial circuit.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Judiciary, by Mr. Flowers, Chairman, reported House bill No. 391, entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of Act No. 94 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to provide for the appointment of guardians of the persons of habitual drunkards, and of persons so addicted to the excessive use of intoxicating liquors or narcotic or noxious drugs as to need medical or sanitary treatment or care, and for restraining them in a suitable asylum or hospital."

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Judiciary, by Mr. Flowers, Chairman, reported House bill No. 392, entitled

A bill to amend section 5 of Act No. 6 of the Public Acts of 1907, Extra Session, as last amended by Act 363 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to define and to regulate the treatment and control of dependent, neglected and delinquent children; to prescribe the jurisdiction of the probate court and the powers, duties and compensation of the probate judge and probate register with regard thereto; to provide

for the appointment of county agents, register of juvenile division and probation officers, and to prescribe their powers, duties and compensation."

With the following amendment thereto, recommending that the amendment be concurred in and that when so amended the bill pass:

1. Amend by striking out of line 60 of section 5 the word "fifty" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "twenty."

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the amendment to the bill recommended by the committee,

The amendment was adopted.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Judiciary, by Mr. Flowers, Chairman, reported House bill No. 381, entitled

A bill making an additional appropriation for the department of the Attorney General for the fiscal year ending June 30th, 1916, and the fiscal year ending June 30th, 1917.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The Committee on Judiciary, by Mr. Flowers, Chairman, reported House bill No. 349, entitled

A bill to amend section 29 of chapter 65 of the Revised Statutes of Michigan of 1846, entitled "Of alienation by deed, and the proof and recording of conveyances, and the cancelling of mortgages," being section 8988 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on State Affairs, by Mr. James D. Jerome, Chairman, reported

Senate bill No. 230 (file No. 179), entitled

A bill to require all motor boats, launches, or other water craft propelled by gasoline or other internal combustion engines, operated on the inland waters of this State, to be equipped with mufflers, underwater exhausts or other suitable devices to deaden sound; and to provide penalties for violations.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on State Affairs, by Mr. James D. Jerome, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 385, entitled

A bill to prohibit the giving or receiving of any gift or gratuity in

connection with any service performed in any shop, hotel, restaurant, public house or public utility in excess of the maximum price therefor.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on State Affairs, by Mr. James D. Jerome, Chairman, reported

Senate bill No. 70 (file No. 51), entitled

A bill to provide for the creation of a board of mediation and conciliation; to prescribe its powers and duties; to provide for arbitration in the settlement of differences that may arise between employer or employers and employes; and to make an appropriation for the maintenance of such board.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The Committee on State Affairs, by Mr. James D. Jerome, Chairman, reported

Senate bill No. 72 (file No. 167), entitled

A bill to amend the title and sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 7 of Act 244 of the Public Acts of the State of Michigan for the year 1907, entitled "An act to protect the title and to regulate the practice of veterinary medicine and surgery in all its various branches in the State of Michigan; providing for a State Veterinary Board and prescribing its duties; regulating existing practitioners; governing undergraduates and reciprocity with the other states and provinces; prescribing penalties for its violation and repealing all inconsistent acts," and to add a new section thereto to stand as section 15 of said act.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on State Affairs, by Mr. James D. Jerome, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 82 (file No. 111), entitled

A bill to amend section 1 and section 9 of Act No. 294 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to provide for the licensing and regulating of the business of transient merchants; to prevent the fraudulent sale of goods by such transient merchants; to provide a lien on the goods of such transient merchants for the license fees prescribed, and to provide penalties for the violation thereof."

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on State Affairs, by Mr. James D. Jerome, Chairman, reported

Senate bill No. 178 (file No. 131), entitled

A bill to provide for the appointment of a chief clerk in the compiling division of the Department of State, and to fix the salary thereof.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The Committee on State Affairs, by Mr. James D. Jerome, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 282, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of Act No. 81 of the Public Acts of 1907, entitled "An act for the protection of boarding house keepers."

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on General Taxation, by Mr. Petermann, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 374, entitled

A bill to amend section 34 of Act No. 206 of the Public Acts of 1893, entitled "An act to provide for the assessment of property and the levy and collection of taxes thereon, and for the collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied, making such taxes a lien on the lands taxed, establishing and continuing such lien, providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes, and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the State and not redeemed or purchased; and to repeal Act No. 200 of the Public Acts of 1891, and all other acts and parts of acts in anywise contravening any of the provisions of this act," as last amended by Act No. 201 of the Public Acts of 1913, being section 3857 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on General Taxation, by Mr. Petermann, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 372, entitled

A bill to amend section 148 of Act 206 of the Public Acts of 1893, entitled "An act to provide for the assessment of property and the levy and collection of taxes thereon, and for the collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied; making such taxes a lien on the lands taxed, establishing and continuing such lien, providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes, and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the State, and not redeemed or purchased; and to repeal Act No. 200 of the Public Acts of 1891, and all other acts and parts of acts in anywise contravening any of the provisions of this act," as added to said Act by Act No. 154 of the Public Acts of 1899, as last amended by Act No. 153 of the Public Acts of 1913.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on General Taxation, By Mr. Petermann, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 370, entitled

A bill to require examiners and appraisers of property employed by the Board of State Tax Commissioners to take and file the constitutional oath of office.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Insurance, by Mr. Rice, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 70 (file No. 39), entitled

A bill to provide for the organization, operation and supervision of fire insurance rate making bureaus; to provide for a review of any rates fixed by any such bureau for fire insurance upon property in this State; to prohibit discrimination in such rates, and to regulate all agreements between fire insurance companies or their agents affecting such rates.

With the following amendment thereto, recommending that the amendment be concurred in and that when so amended the bill pass:

1. Amend by inserting in line 12, of section 11, after the word "removed" the words "but no such discrimination shall be removed by increasing the rate or rates on any risk or class of risks affected by such order unless it shall be made to appear to the commission that such increase is justifiable and an order of approval has been filed in the office of the Commissioner of Insurance."

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the amendment to the bill recommended by the committee,

The amendment was adopted.

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Insurance, by Mr. Rice, Chairman, reported

Senate bill No. 81 (file No. 57), entitled

A bill to provide for the incorporation and regulation of companies to insure railway conductors, railway engineers and railway officials for the loss of position arising from discharge or retirement.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Insurance, by Mr. Rice, Chairman, reported

Senate bill No. 32 (file No. 26), entitled

A bill to provide for an average or pro rata rider clause to be attached to the Michigan standard fire insurance policy.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Insurance, by Mr. Rice, Chairman, reported

Senate bill No. 162 (file No. 137), entitled

A bill to amend section 7 of Act No. 77 of the Public Acts of 1869, entitled "An act in relation to life insurance companies transacting business within this State," being section 7196 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Fish and Fisheries, by Mr. McMillan, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 361, entitled

A bill to repeal Act No. 87 of the Public Acts of 1907, entitled "An act to prohibit the spearing of fish in any of the public streams or rivers in certain townships of Van Buren county," upon approval by referendum of the electors of said townships.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Military Affairs, by Mr. Culver, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 314, entitled

A bill to amend sections 9, 11, 18, 22, 29, 30, 45, 46, 49 and 78 of Act No. 84 of the Public Acts of 1909, as amended by Acts Nos. 67 and 172 of the Public Acts of 1911, and Act No. 157 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to increase the efficiency of the military establishment of the State of Michigan, to make an appropriation therefor, and to repeal all former acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act," approved May 12, 1909.

With the following amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in and that when so amended the bill pass:

1. Amend by striking out of line 15 of section 11 the words "one Major" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "two Majors."

2. Amend by striking out of line 16 of section 11 the word "three" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "two."

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the amendments to the bill recommended by the committee,

The amendments were adopted.

The bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The Committee on Military Affairs, by Mr. Culver, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 359, entitled

A bill to amend section 4 of Act 172 of the Public Acts of 1913, en-

titled: "An act authorizing the acceptance by the State of a certain tract of land in Crawford county on certain conditions, providing for its control and management when so accepted, and making an appropriation for the purpose of making improvements thereon," approved May 2, 1913, and to further amend said act by adding thereto a new section to stand as section 4 "a."

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Elections, by Mr. Palmer, Chairman, reported House bill No. 210 (file No. 65), entitled

A bill to provide for a board of education for cities having a population of two hundred fifty thousand or over, and comprising a single school district; to fix their terms of office, and the manner of the nomination and election of the members thereof.

With a substitute therefor, having the same title.

Recommending that the substitute be concurred in and that the bill as substituted pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the proposed substitute recommended by the committee,

The substitute was adopted.

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Supplies and Expenditures, by Mr. Amon, Chairman, reported the following accounts, with itemized bills attached, and recommended that vouchers be drawn in payment thereof:

Frank W. Preussel, mineral water.....	\$49 00
E. W. Greene, cartage	7 49
The Frank Shepard Co., Digest for 1915.....	5 00
Bludeau & Siebert, lettering names on handbooks.	15 00

Total \$76 49

The report was accepted and the accounts allowed and ordered paid.

The Committee on Printing, by Mr. VanAntwerp, Chairman, reported The written request of Mr. Wolcott for the printing of House bill No. 33, entitled

A bill to amend section 9 of Act No. 207 of the Public Acts of 1889, entitled "An act to prohibit the manufacture, sale, keeping for sale, giving away or furnishing of vinous, malt, brewed, fermented, spirituous or intoxicating liquors, or any mixed liquor or beverage any part of which is intoxicating, and to prohibit the keeping of any saloon or other place for the manufacture, sale, storing for sale, giving away or furnishing of such liquors or beverages, and to suspend the general laws of the State relative to the taxation and regulation of the manufacture and sale of such liquors in the several counties of this State under certain circumstances; to authorize the qualified electors of the several counties in this State to express their will in regard to such pro-

hibition by an election, and to authorize and empower the board of supervisors of the several counties, after such election, if they shall determine the result to be in favor of such prohibition, to prohibit the manufacture, sale, keeping for sale, giving away or furnishing of any such liquors, or the keeping of a saloon or any other place for the manufacture, sale, storing for sale, giving away or furnishing of the same within their respective counties; and to provide for penalties and rights of action in case of its violation," as last amended by Act No. 183 of the Public Acts of 1899, being section 5420 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, relative to the period of time in which the question of local option under the act may be resubmitted.

With the recommendation that the request be granted.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the recommendation of the committee,

The recommendation was concurred in, and the bill ordered printed.

The Committee on Printing, by Mr. VanAntwerp, Chairman, reported:

The written request of Mr. Wolcott for the printing of

House bill No. 364, entitled

A bill to amend the title and sections 1 and 2 of Act No. 31 of the Public Acts of 1887, entitled "An act to prohibit the maintenance of saloons or other places of entertainment in which intoxicating liquors are sold, and to prohibit the sale or giving away of intoxicating liquors within one mile of the Soldiers' Home," being sections 5443 and 5444 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

With the recommendation that the request be granted.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the recommendation of the committee,

The recommendation was concurred in, and the bill ordered printed.

The Committee on Printing, by Mr. VanAntwerp, Chairman, reported:

The written request of Mr. Clarence J. Reed for the printing of

House bill No. 319, entitled

A bill to provide for the payment of salaries to the sheriff, undersheriff, county clerk, county treasurer, register of deeds and prosecuting attorney or any of said officers in the several counties of this State; to provide for the collection of fees and the payment thereof by the said officers into the county treasury; and to prescribe penalties for the violation of this act, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in contravention thereto.

With the recommendation that the request be granted.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the recommendation of the committee,

The recommendation was concurred in, and the bill ordered printed.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

A message was received from the Senate returning
House bill No. 187 (file No. 86), entitled

A bill to amend section 3 of chapter 16 of the Revised Statutes of 1846, entitled "Of the powers and duties of townships and election and duties of township officers," the same being compiler's section 2269 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by Act No. 62 of the Public Acts of 1909.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill, and further informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had ordered the bill to take immediate effect.

The bill was referred to the Clerk for enrollment printing and presentation to the Governor.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting
Senate bill No. 146 (file No. 103), entitled

A bill to require the registration of charitable organizations, institutions or associations soliciting public aid, and providing a penalty for the violations thereof.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Religious and Benevolent Societies.

Messrs. Newel Smith and Thomas Read entered the House and took their seats.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Clark introduced
House bill No. 396, entitled

A bill prescribing the powers and duties of township boards with relation to the care of rural cemeteries.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Towns and Counties.

Mr. Wright introduced
House bill No. 397, entitled

A bill to amend section 3 of Act No. 204 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act making appropriations for the Michigan State Normal College for current expenses for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1914, and June 30, 1915, and for purchasing additional land and for building and special purposes, and to provide a tax to meet the same," approved May 7, 1913.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on State Normal College.

Mr. William F. Jerome introduced
House bill No. 398, entitled

A bill to provide for a wage of not less than one dollar per day for

each and every female employe in all public institutions maintained by this State.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Labor.

Mr. Keen introduced

House bill No. 399, entitled

A bill to provide for the inspection of certain buildings and structures, to provide means for protecting the lives of any person or persons employed thereon and to protect the lives of any persons or persons coming in proximity of the same, to make an appropriation for the enforcement thereof, and to prescribe penalties for the violation of the provisions hereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Labor.

Mr. Weissert introduced

House bill No. 400, entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of Act No. 183 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to prohibit the taking, killing, trapping or molesting of certain fur-bearing animals at certain times, and to prohibit the destruction or the molesting of the houses of certain fur-bearing animals at all times," as amended by Act No. 83 of the Public Acts of 1913.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Hinkley introduced

House bill No. 401, entitled

A bill to create a non-partisan commission of inquiry to make the necessary investigation and to prepare and submit a report setting forth a comprehensive plan for the establishment of a budget system for this State; to provide for the appointment of the members of such commission and to prescribe their powers, duties and compensation; making an appropriation therefor, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 251 (file No. 87), entitled

A bill to regulate the hours of labor of laborers, workmen, and mechanics employed in the erection, construction, remodeling, or repairing of any public building or works and providing penalties for violations.

Was read a third time and, the question being on its passage,

Mr. Robertson moved to amend the bill

By striking out of lines 8 and 9 of section 1 the words "more than eight hours in any one calendar day nor."

The motion did not prevail and the amendment was not adopted, a majority of all the members-elect not voting therefor.

The bill was then not passed, a majority of all the members-elect not voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Ashley	Mr. Gayde	Mr. O'Brien	Mr. Stevenson
Averill	Jerome, Jas. D.	Ormsbee	Symonds
Cowan	Jerome, Wm. F.	Palmer	Watkins
Culver	Jones	Penney	Weissert
De Boer	Koehler	Person	Wieland
Ewing	Kooyers	Petermann	Wiley
Flowers	Lewis	Place	Wood
Foote	Martz	Read, Thos.	Woodruff
Ford, Sheridan	Nank	Ross	Wright
Francis	Oakley	Shields	Speaker

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NAYS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Griggs	Mr. Nelson	Mr. Smith, S. J.
Anderson	Henry	Olmsted	Snow
Biggerstaff	Hinkley	Quintel	Sours
Bosch	Hoffman	Reed, Clarence J.	Stevens
Chapin	Hopkins	Rice	Sutton
Clark	Hulse	Robertson	Tufts
Croll	Keen	Rogers	Van Antwerp
Daigneau	Kemmerling	Root	Vine
Daprato	Leland	Ross	Ward
Evens	McMillan	Schmidt	Warner
Follett	Martin	Sherman	Wells
Ford, Ransom L.	Matthews	Smith, F. A.	Whiteley
Gettel	Miller	Smith, Newel	Wolcott
Green	Moore		

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Mr. Koehler moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill failed to pass.

The motion did not prevail, a majority of all the members-elect not voting therefor.

Senate bill No. 170 (file No. 120), entitled

A bill to amend sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 of Act No. 256 of the Public Acts of 1911, entitled "An act to encourage the breeding of horses, to regulate the public service of stallions, to request the registration of stallions and to provide for the enforcement thereof," and to add a new section thereto to stand as section 9, and to repeal Act No. 28 of the Public Acts of 1887, Act No. 166 of the Public Acts of 1905 and Act No. 145 of the Public Acts of 1907, and all acts amendatory thereto.

Was read a third time and, the question being on its passage,

Mr. Rogers moved to amend the bill

1. By striking out of line 3 of section 1 the word "request" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "require."

The motion prevailed and the amendment was adopted a majority of all the members elect voting therefor.

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Hopkins	Mr. Person	Mr. Sours
Anderson	Hulse	Petermann	Stevenson
Averill	Jerome, Wm. F.	Place	Sutton
Cowan	Jones	Pray	Van Antwerp
Culver	Lewis	Quintel	Vine
Daigneau	Martin	Read, Thos.	Warner
De Boer	Matthews	Reed, Clarence J.	Watkins
Empson	Moore	Robertson	Weissert
Ewing	Nank	Rogers	Wells

Mr. Flowers	Mr. Oakley	Mr. Ross	Mr. Wieland
Foote	O'Brien	Schmidt	Wiley
Ford, Ransom L.	Olmsted	Sherman	Wood.
Gayde	Ormsbee	Shields	Wright
Gettel	Palmer	Smith, F. A.	Speaker
Henry	Penney		

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NAYS.

Mr. Ashley	Mr. Green	Mr. McMillan	Mr. Stevens
Biggerstaff	Hinkley	Martz	Symonds
Bosch	Hoffman	Miller	Tufts
Chapin	Keen	Rice	Ward
Clark	Kemmerling	Root	Whiteley
Croll	Koehler	Smith, Newel	Wolcott
Evens	Lamphere	Smith, S. J.	Woodruff
Follett	Leland	Snow	

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Pending the announcement of the vote upon the bill,

Mr. Follett demanded the vote of Mr. Biggerstaff.

Mr. Biggerstaff voted nay and was so recorded.

Mr. Martz demanded the vote of Mr. Koehler.

Mr. Koehler voted nay and was so recorded.

Mr. Follett demanded the vote of Mr. Hinkley.

Mr. Hinkley voted nay and was so recorded.

The question being on agreeing to the title of the bill,

Mr. Rogers moved to amend the title so as to read as follows:

A bill to amend sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 of Act No. 256 of the Public Acts of 1911, entitled "An act to encourage the breeding of horses, to regulate the public service of stallions, to require the registration of stallions and to provide for the enforcement thereof," and to add a new section thereto to stand as section section 9, and to repeal Act No. 28 of the Public Acts of 1887, Act No. 166 of the Public Acts of 1905 and Act No. 145 of the Public Acts of 1907, and all acts amendatory thereto.

The motion prevailed.

The House agreed to the title of the bill as amended.

House bill No. 301 (file No. 119), entitled

A bill to license and regulate the loaning of money in cities and villages of this State in sums of three hundred dollars and less, upon chattel securities, or endorsement, or upon salaries or wage earnings, or without security, and prescribing rates of interest and charges therefor, and penalties for violations thereof, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions thereof.

Was read a third time and, the question being on its passage,

Mr. Whiteley moved to amend the bill

By inserting in line 4 of section 8 after the word "pawnbrokers" the words "or to any city or village having a population of 15,000 or less."

The amendment was adopted.

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Gayde	Mr. Moore	Mr. Snow
Anderson	Gettel	Oakley	Sours
Ashley	Green	O'Brien	Stevens
Averill	Henry	Olmsted	Stevenson
Biggerstaff	Hinkley	Ormsbee	Sutton
Bosch	Hoffman	Palmer	Symonds
Chapin	Hopkins	Person	Tufts
Clark	Hulse	Petermann	Van Antwerp
Cowan	Jerome, Jas. D.	Place	Vine
Croll	Jerome, Wm. F.	Pray	Ward
Culver	Jones	Quintel	Warner
Daigneau	Keen	Read, Thos.	Watkins
Daprato	Kemmerling	Reed, Clarence J.	Weissert
De Boer	Koehler	Rice	Wells
Empson	Kooyers	Robertson	Whiteley
Evens	Leland	Rogers	Wieland
Ewing	Lewis	Ross	Wiley
Flowers	McMillan	Schmidt	Wolcott
Foote	Martin	Sherman	Wood
Ford, Ransom L.	Martz	Shields	Woodruff
Ford, Sheridan	Matthews	Smith, Newel	Wright
Francis	Miller	Smith, S. J.	Speaker

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Mr. Nank

Mr. Nelson

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The question being on agreeing to the title of the bill,

Mr. Nelson moved to amend the title so as to read as follows:

A bill to license and regulate the loaning of money in cities and villages of this State, having a population according to the last government census of 15,000 or more, in sums of three hundred dollars and less, upon chattel securities or endorsement, or upon salaries or wage earnings, or without security, and prescribing rates of interest and charges therefor, and penalties for violations thereof, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions thereof.

The motion prevailed.

The House agreed to the title of the bill as amended.

House bill No. 315 (file No. 123), entitled

A bill to provide for the protection of all species of edible frogs in this State; to regulate the sale, and having in possession of frogs or portion of the carcass thereof and providing penalties for the violation of this act.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Griggs	Mr. O'Brien	Mr. Smith, S. J.
Anderson	Henry	Olmsted	Snow
Ashley	Hinkley	Ormsbee	Sours
Biggerstaff	Hopkins	Palmer	Stevens
Bosch	Hulse	Penney	Stevenson
Chapin	Jerome, Jas. D.	Person	Sutton
Cowan	Jerome, Wm. F.	Petermann	Symonds
Croll	Jones	Pray	Tufts
Culver	Kemmerling	Quintel	Vine
Daigneau	Koehler	Read, Thos.	Warner
Daprato	Lamphere	Reed, Clarence J.	Watkins
Empson	Leland	Rice	Wells
Evens	Lewis	Robertson	Whiteley
Ewing	McMillan	Rogers	Wieland
Flowers	Martin	Ross	Wiley
Ford, Ransom L.	Martz	Schmidt	Wolcott
Ford, Sheridan	Matthews	Sherman	Wood
Francis	Moore	Shields	Woodruff
Gayde	Nank	Smith, F. A.	Wright
Gettel	Oakley	Smith, Newel	Speaker
Green			

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Mr. Averill	Mr. Hoffman	Mr. Nelson	Mr. Van Antwerp
Foote	Miller	Root	

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

Senate bill No. 147 (file No. 104), entitled

A bill to provide for the establishment of a general hospital department in the Traverse City State Hospital, to provide for the government thereof and for the reception and treatment of patients seeking medical or surgical aid therein.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Gettel	Mr. Oakley	Mr. Snow
Anderson	Green	O'Brien	Sours
Ashley	Griggs	Olmsted	Stevens
Averill	Henry	Ormsbee	Stevenson
Biggerstaff	Hinkley	Palmer	Sutton
Bosch	Hoffman	Penney	Symonds
Chapin	Hopkins	Person	Tufts
Clark	Hulse	Petermann	Van Antwerp
Cowan	Jerome, Wm. F.	Place	Vine
Croll	Jones	Pray	Ward
Culver	Kemmerling	Quintel	Warner
Daigneau	Koehler	Read, Thos.	Watkins
Daprato	Lamphere	Reed, Clarence J.	Weissert
Empson	Leland	Rice	Wells
Evens	Lewis	Robertson	Whiteley
Ewing	McMillan	Rogers	Wieland
Flowers	Martin	Ross	Wiley
Follett	Martz	Schmidt	Wolcott
Foote	Matthews	Sherman	Wood
Ford, Ransom L.	Miller	Shields	Woodruff
Ford, Sheridan	Moore	Smith, F. A.	Wright
Francis	Nank	Smith, Newel	Speaker
Gayde	Nelson		

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

Mr. Wolcott moved that the bill be ordered to take immediate effect.

The motion prevailed, two-thirds of all the members-elect voting therefor.

Senate bill No. 119 (file No. 129), entitled

A bill to repeal Act No. 612 of the Local Acts of 1905, entitled "An act to provide for the locating and establishing of drains within the county of Ionia," approved June 7, 1905.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Green	Mr. O'Brien	Mr. Smith, S. J.
Anderson	Griggs	Olmsted	Snow
Averill	Henry	Ormsbee	Sours
Biggerstaff	Hinkley	Palmer	Stevenson
Bosch	Hoffman	Penney	Symonds
Chapin	Hopkins	Person	Tufts
Cowan	Hulse	Petermann	Van Antwerp
Croll	Jones	Place	Vine
Culver	Kemmerling	Pray	Ward
Daigneau	Koehler	Quintel	Warner
Daprato	Kooyers	Read, Thos.	Watkins
Empson	Lamphere	Reed, Clarence J.	Weissert
Evens	Leland	Robertson	Wells
Ewing	Lewis	Rogers	Whiteley
Flowers	McMillan	Root	Wieland
Follett	Martin	Ross	Wiley
Foote	Matthews	Schmidt	Wolcott
Ford, Ransom L.	Miller	Sherman	Wood
Ford, Sheridan	Moore	Shields	Woodruff
Francis	Nank	Smith, F. A.	Wright
Gayde	Nelson	Smith, Newel	Speaker
Gettel	Oakley		

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

Senate bill No. 79 (file No. 166), entitled

A bill to repeal Act No. 69 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act providing for State inspection of sugar beet testing, weighing and taring, the appointment of inspectors, and the payment for their services," approved April 16, 1913, and to provide for the disposal of moneys accrued under said act, and remaining in the State treasury.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Francis	Mr. Moore	Mr. Snow
Anderson	Gayde	Nank	Sours
Ashley	Gettel	Nelson	Stevens
Averill	Green	O'Brien	Stevenson
Biggerstaff	Griggs	Olmsted	Sutton
Chapin	Henry	Ormsbee	Symonds
Clark	Hinkley	Palmer	Tufts
Cowan	Hoffman	Penney	Ward
Croll	Hopkins	Person	Warner
Culver	Hulse	Petermann	Watkins
Daigneau	Jerome, Wm. F.	Place	Weissert
Daprato	Keen	Pray	Wells
De Boer	Koehler	Read, Thos.	Whiteley
Empson	Kooyers	Robertson	Wieland
Evens	Lamphere	Rogers	Wiley
Ewing	Lewis	Root	Wolcott
Flowers	McMillan	Ross	Wood
Follett	Martin	Schmidt	Woodruff
Foote	Martz	Shields	Wright
Ford, Ransom L.	Matthews	Smith, F. A.	Speaker
Ford, Sheridan	Miller	Smith, S. J.	

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Mr. Bosch	Mr. Oakley	Mr. Reed, C. J.	Mr. Van Antwerp
Jones	Quintel	Smith, Newel	Vine

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

House bill No. 79 (file No. 126), entitled

A bill to prohibit the hunting of rabbits with ferrets and guinea pigs; exempting from its provisions farmers and fruit growers hunting on their own lands, and those townships wherein electors so decide by referendum; prescribing penalty for violation; and repealing Act No. 180 of the Public Acts of 1911, entitled "An act to prohibit the hunting of rabbits with ferrets or guinea pigs," and all other acts or parts of acts in contravention therewith.

Was read a third time and, the question being on its passage,

Mr. Biggerstaff moved to amend the bill

By inserting in line 8, of section 2, after the word "twenty" the words "per centum."

The motion did not prevail and the amendment was not adopted, a majority of all the members-elect not voting therefor.

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Gettel	Mr. Oakley	Mr. Smith, S. J.
Anderson	Green	O'Brien	Sours
Ashley	Griggs	Olmsted	Stevens
Averill	Henry	Ormsbee	Stevenson
Bosch	Hinkley	Penney	Sutton
Chapin	Hoffman	Person	Symonds
Clark	Hopkins	Petermann	Van Antwerp

Mr. Cowan	Mr. Hulse	Mr. Place	Mr. Vine
Croll	Jerome, Wm. F.	Pray	Ward
Culver	Keen	Quintel	Warner
Daigneau	Kemmerling	Read, Thos.	Watkins
Daprato	Koehler	Reed, Clarence J	Wells
De Boer	Kooyers	Robertson	Whiteley
Empson	Leland	Rogers	Wieland
Evens	Lewis	Root	Wiley
Flowers	Martin	Ross	Wolcott
Follett	Martz	Schmidt	Wood
Ford, Ransom L.	Matthews	Sherman	Woodruff
Ford, Sheridan	Miller	Shields	Wright
Francis	Moore	Smith, F. A.	Speaker
Gayde	Nank	Smith, Newel	

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Mr. Biggerstaff Mr. Ewing Mr. McMillan Mr. Tufts

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The question being on agreeing to the title of the bill,

Mr. Koehler moved to amend the title so as to read as follows:

A bill to prohibit the hunting of rabbits with ferrets and guinea pigs or other rodents; exempting from its provisions farmers and fruit growers hunting on their own lands, and those townships wherein electors so decide by referendum; prescribing penalty for violation and repealing Act No. 180 of the Public Acts of 1911, entitled "An act to prohibit the hunting of rabbits with ferrets or guinea pigs," and all other acts or parts of acts in contravention therewith.

The motion prevailed.

The House agreed to the title of the bill as amended.

Mr. McMillan having reserved the right to explain his vote sent to the Clerk's desk the following:

I voted no on the passage of House bill No. 79 (file No. 126), because, in my opinion, it could not become a law for the reason that it repeals a general law and enacts a local law, and this cannot be done under the provisions of the State Constitution.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Symonds offered the following resolution:

House resolution No. 43.

Whereas, In the Lansing State Journal of March 23rd, there appears a full page advertisement purporting to be prepared by C. S. Cunningham, a member of the Michigan Railroad Commission, on the passenger rate controversy, and

Whereas, In said article said Cunningham urges the Legislature to give the relief asked for by the railroads and makes the request specifically as a State official, and

Whereas, He purports to commit himself to the cutting off of trains in the event the relief is not granted, as well as to any other matters

that are liable to be submitted to the said Commission for determination, evidently with the purpose of giving the impression throughout the State that such will be the attitude of the Commission itself and for the avowed purpose of influencing the members of this Legislature; therefore be it

Resolved, That the individual members of said Commission be respectfully requested to communicate to this House at their earliest opportunity whether said statements of said Cunningham were made with the consent and approbation of said Commission and representing the views and attitude of the said Commission or its other members.

The resolution was adopted.

Mr. Follett offered the following resolution:

House resolution No. 44.

Resolved, That the Auditor General be requested to give to the House of Representatives, as soon as he can conveniently do so, his opinion relative to the expense which the State will eventually have to incur in case of the passage of the bill providing for the legalizing in this State of "Howell's Annotated Statutes, Second Edition."

The resolution was adopted.

Mr. Koehler offered the following resolution:

House resolution No. 45.

Resolved, That the Attorney General be respectfully requested to render to this House an opinion as to whether or not the present Legislature can reapportion the State into representative districts.

The resolution was adopted.

Mr. Clarence J. Reed made written request for the printing of House bill No. 385, entitled

A bill to prohibit the giving or receiving of any gift or gratuity in connection with any service performed in any shop, hotel, restaurant, public house or public utility, in excess of the maximum price therefor.

The request was referred to the Committee on Printing.

Mr. Haviland entered the House and took his seat.

Mr. Hinkley asked and obtained a leave of absence for the Committee on Ways and Means from the balance of today's session.

GENERAL ORDERS OF THE DAY.

Mr. Ewing moved that the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole on the general orders.

The motion prevailed.

The Speaker called Mr. Ewing to the chair.

After a time spent in the consideration of bills upon the general orders, the committee rose, and, through its chairman, made a report recommending the passage, without amendment, of the following entitled bill:

House bill No. 307 (file No. 120), entitled

A bill to amend the title and section 1 of Act No. 354 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act relative to the use, sale, trading and disposition of horses and mules, permanently unfit for work, and to provide a penalty for the violation thereof," approved May 13, 1913.

The bill was placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

The Committee of the Whole reported

House bill No. 203 (file No. 77), entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of Act No. 232 of the Public Acts of 1903, entitled "An act to revise and consolidate the laws providing for the incorporation of manufacturing and mercantile companies or any union of the two, and for the incorporation of companies for carrying on any other lawful business, except such as are precluded from organization under this act by its express provisions, and to prescribe the powers and fix the duties and liabilities of such corporations," by adding a new section thereto to stand as section 1a.

Recommending the adoption of the following amendment thereto, and the passage of the bill when so amended:

1. Amend by striking out of lines 13½, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18 and 19 of section 1 the words "Any three or more persons who are heirs at law or heirs at law and beneficiaries under the will of any deceased person desiring to become incorporated for the purpose of holding the accounts of an estate and for holding stock in any corporation existing under the laws of the State of Michigan or any other state, also for the purpose of incorporation as provided in section 1 of this act, may by complying with the provisions of this act become a body politic and incorporate," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "Any three or more persons who are heirs at law or beneficiaries of the estate of a deceased person, desiring to become incorporated for the purpose of acquiring and owning the assets of said estate, including the stock of any corporation existing under the laws of the State of Michigan or of any other state or country, and for the purpose of continuing the business of the deceased, may, by complying with the provisions of this act, become a body politic, and corporate. The name assumed by such corporation shall contain the surname of such deceased person, the word 'estate' and the word 'incorporated.'"

The question being on the adoption of the proposed amendment made by the committee,

The amendment was adopted and the bill was placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

The Committee of the Whole reported

House bill No. 250 (file No. 122), entitled

A bill to amend sections 1 and 3 of Act 137 of the Public Acts of 1883, entitled "An act to specify certain duties of health officers and to provide for compensation therefor, in townships, cities and villages

where a health officer is not otherwise instructed by the local board of health," the same being sections 4460 and 4462 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

Recommending the adoption of the following amendments thereto, and the passage of the bill when so amended:

1. Amend by inserting in line 2 of section 3 after the word "officer" the words "unless other provisions shall have been made in accordance with law."

2. Amend by striking out of lines 29 and 30 of section 1 the words "State Board of Health" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "health laws of the State of Michigan."

The question being on the adoption of the proposed amendments made by the committee,

The amendments were adopted and the bill was placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

The Committee of the Whole reported

House bill No. 150 (file No. 125), entitled

A bill to amend section 9 of Act No. 198 of the Laws of 1873, entitled "An act to revise the laws providing for the incorporation of the railroad, bridge and tunnel companies, and to regulate the running and management, and to fix the duties and liabilities of all railroad, bridge, tunnel and other corporations owning or operating any railroad, bridge, or tunnel within this State," as amended, said section being compiler's section 6234 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

Recommending the adoption of the following amendment thereto, and the passage of the bill when so amended:

1. Amend by striking out all after the word "road" in line 65 of paragraph 5 of section 9 to and including the word "collected" in line 74, and inserting in lieu thereof the following: "Whenever it shall become necessary to lay, build, repair, or build any sewer, pavement or sidewalk, in or upon, or to otherwise improve, any street, lane, alley or highway which shall intersect or cross the right of way of any railway company in any municipality, or to open, construct or maintain any new street, lane, alley or highway, or to lay, build or construct thereon any pavement, sidewalk, sewer or other improvement, such railway company shall be required to pay and be assessed with such proportion of the cost thereof as shall be its fair and proper proportion thereof, to be determined, assessed, spread, levied, collected and to be a lien in the same manner and proportions and with the same effect and upon the same tax or assessment roll as the costs of such improvement are ascertained for or spread, levied, collected and borne by or upon abutting property owners or upon property other than that owned or occupied by railway companies: Provided, That when any pavement or sidewalk is laid upon or across any such crossing or intersection, plank may be used between the rails and for one foot on either side of such rails. In cases of sidewalk, the railway company shall first be given the right to construct in the same manner as that right is given to individuals and in the event of its failure so to do the municipality may cause the same to be constructed at the expense of such railway company, and the cost thereof to be collected in the usual manner as provided in the law governing the particular municipality.

The question being on the adoption of the proposed amendment made by the committee,

The amendment was adopted and the bill was placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

The Committee of the Whole also reported

House bill No. 275 (file No. 145), entitled

A bill to provide a method for the election of county superintendents of the poor in counties so desiring to elect such officials.

Recommending the adoption of the following amendments thereto, and the passage of the bill when so amended:

1. Amend by striking out of line 3 of section 3 the word "discreet."
2. Amend by inserting in line 1 of section 3 after the first word "the" the word "general."
3. Amend by striking out of line 1 of section 3 the words "on the first Monday in April" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "in November."
4. Amend by striking out of line 4 of section 3 the words "one year" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "two years."
5. Amend by striking out of line 5 of section 3 the word "two" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "four."
6. Amend by striking out of line 5 of section 3 the word "three" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "six."
7. Amend by striking out of lines 5 and 6 of section 3 the words "the election held on the first Monday in April in each year thereafter" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "each general biennial election thereafter."
8. Amend by striking out of line 8 of section 3 the word "three" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "six."
9. Amend by striking out of line 10 of section 3 the word "July" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "January."
10. Amend by striking out of line 17 of section 3 the words "following election held on the first Monday in April" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "next general biennial election."
11. Amend by striking out of lines 2 and 3 of section 4 the words "election to be held on the first Monday in April" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "general biennial election."

The question being on the adoption of the proposed amendments made by the committee,

The amendments were adopted and the bill was placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

The Committee of the Whole reported

House bill No. 236 (file No. 146), entitled

A bill to provide for the licensing by the township board of billiard and pool rooms outside of incorporated cities and villages.

Recommending the adoption of the following amendments thereto, and the passage of the bill when so amended:

1. Amend by inserting in line 1 of section 1 after the word "room" the words "or bowling alley."
2. Amend by inserting in line 4 of section 1 after the word "room" the words "or bowling alley."

3. Amend by inserting in line 2 of section 2 after the word "room" the words "or bowling alley."

4. Amend by striking out all after the word "the" in line 5 of section 1 and inserting in lieu thereof the words "township board of said township."

The question being on the adoption of the proposed amendments made by the committee,

The amendments were adopted and the bill was placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

The Committee of the Whole reported

Senate bill No. 114 (file No. 160), entitled

A bill to amend Act No. 98 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act providing for the supervision and control by the State Board of Health over waterworks systems and sewage disposal systems, and providing for the appointment, duties, salary and expenses of a State sanitary engineer, and providing penalties and defining liabilities for violations of this act; and to repeal Act No. 28 of the Public Acts of 1909," by adding thereto a new section to be known as section 14, relative to the appointment of assistant sanitary engineers.

Recommending that the bill be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The recommendation was concurred in, and the bill was so referred.

Mr. William F. Jerome moved that the House adjourn.

The motion prevailed, the time being 4:28 o'clock p. m.

The Speaker declared the House adjourned until tomorrow at 2:00 o'clock p. m.

CHARLES S. PIERCE,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.

FIFTY-THIRD DAY.

Lansing, Thursday, March 25.

2:00 o'clock p. m.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

Religious exercises were conducted by Rev. William F. Jerome, of St. Peter's Episcopal Church, of Hillsdale.

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk, who announced that a quorum was present.

Mr. Sly was absent with leave.

Messrs. Daigneau, Martz and Vine were absent without leave.

Mr. Averill moved that the absentees without leave be excused from today's session.

The motion prevailed.

Messrs. Flowers, Jones, Gayde, Koehler and Sheridan Ford asked and obtained leaves of absence from tomorrow's session.

Mr. Wells moved that Mr. Vine be excused from tomorrow's session. The motion prevailed.

Mr. Bosch asked and obtained an indefinite leave of absence after 3:00 o'clock today.

Mr. Culver moved that an indefinite leave of absence be granted Mr. Daigneau.

The motion prevailed.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

Mr. Snow presented

Petition No. 998.

Petition of S. H. Hough and 64 other citizens of Comstock, Kalamazoo county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 214, providing for State-wide prohibition.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Wright presented

Petition No. 999.

Petition of Geo. Wood and 8 other citizens of Ann Arbor, Washtenaw county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Nank presented

Petition No. 1000.

Petition of Geo. P. Eckstein and 18 other citizens of Warren, Macomb county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 337, providing for and limiting the taxes to be spread and assessed against property within the limits of an incorporated village.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Nank presented

Petition No. 1001.

Petition of Chas. A. Miller and 38 other citizens of New Baltimore, Macomb county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 337, providing for and limiting the taxes to be spread and assessed against property within the limits of an incorporated village.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Newel Smith presented

Petition No. 1002.

Petition of Harrison Wood and 50 other citizens of Ithaca, Gratiot county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 214, providing for State-wide prohibition.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Clarence J. Reed presented

Petition No. 1003.

Petition of Samuel Raven and 40 other citizens of Jackson county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 214, providing for State-wide prohibition.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Averill presented

Petition No. 1004.

Petition of Frank A. Steed and 24 other members of Bridge Street W. C. T. U. of Grand Rapids, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 214, providing for State-wide prohibition.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Ransom L. Ford presented

Petition No. 1005.

Protest of Helen Carr and 22 other citizens of Genesee and Tuscola counties, against the passage of any law imposing burdensome conditions or high license for selling domestic and stock remedies, spices, extracts, etc., by retail from wagons.

The protest was referred to the Committee on Public Health.

Mr. Wood presented

Petition No. 1006.

Petition of B. E. Rowley and 25 other citizens of Jackson, Jackson county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Newel Smith presented

Petition No. 1007.

Petition of E. E. Stone and 15 other citizens of Gratiot county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 65, relative to the reading of the Holy Bible in the public schools of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Moore presented

Petition No. 1008.

Petition of H. G. Pearce and 58 other citizens of Lenawee county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 214, providing for State-wide prohibition.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Wolcott presented

Petition No. 1009.

Petition of Emily Harmon and 57 other citizens of Athens, Calhoun county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 214, providing for State-wide prohibition.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Martin presented

Petition No. 1010.

Petition of G. T. Campbell and 63 other citizens of Owosso, Shiawassee county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 64, relative to a retirement fund for teachers.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Newel Smith presented

Petition No. 1011.

Petition of Edron H. Mudge and 39 other citizens of St. Louis, Gratiot county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 91 (file No. 64), relative to providing for procedure in courts of chancery, to enjoin and abate houses of lewdness, assignation and prostitution.

The petition was referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

sioners for current expenses and for building and special purposes for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

With the following amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in and that when so amended the bill pass:

1. Amend by striking out of line 1 of section 2 the words, "nine thousand" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "ten thousand."

2. Amend by striking out of line 2 of section 5 the word "sixteen" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "fifteen."

3. Amend by striking out of line 4 of section 5 the word "seventeen" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "sixteen."

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the amendments to the bill recommended by the committee,

The amendments were adopted.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Ways and Means, by Mr. Hinkley, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 135, entitled

A bill to amend Act No. 7 of the Public Acts, Second Special Session of 1912, entitled "An act to provide for the erection of armories and making an appropriation therefor," by adding a new section thereto to stand as section 4.

With a substitute therefor, having the same title.

Recommending that the substitute be concurred in and that the bill as substituted pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the proposed substitute recommended by the committee,

The substitute was adopted.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Ways and Means, by Mr. Hinkley, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 279, entitled

A bill to provide for the preparation, transportation and care of a Michigan exhibit at the National Exhibition to be held in connection with the Half Century Anniversary of Negro Freedom, in the city of Chicago, in August and September, 1915; to create a commission to manage the said exhibit, and to make an appropriation therefor.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Ways and Means, by Mr. Hinkley, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 381, entitled

A bill making an additional appropriation for the department of the

Attorney General for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1916, and the fiscal year ending June 30, 1917.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Ways and Means, by Mr. Hinkley, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 97, entitled

A bill to provide for an additional appropriation from the general fund in the State treasury for the purpose of carrying into effect the terms of Act No. 165 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to provide for the compilation and publication of a general alphabetical index of the publication 'A Record of Michigan Soldiers and Sailors in the War of the Rebellion, eighteen hundred sixty-one to eighteen hundred sixty-five,' and for the distribution of such index and the distribution of the remaining volumes of said publication now on hand, in library sets, to public libraries for the convenient reference of the public, to make an appropriation therefor, and to provide a tax to meet the same," to provide the manner of payment thereof and to provide a tax to meet said appropriation.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Ways and Means, by Mr. Hinkley, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 322, entitled

A bill to provide for the transfer to the enlarging hospital fund of a certain unexpended appropriation for the Industrial Home for Girls.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Labor, by Mr. Oakley, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 184, entitled

A bill to amend section 9 of part 2, of Act No. 10, of the Public Acts of the Extra Session of 1912, entitled "An act to promote the welfare of the people of this State, relating to the liability of employers for injuries or death sustained by their employes, providing compensation for the accidental injury to or death of employes and methods for the payment of the same, establishing an Industrial Accident Board, defining its powers, providing for a review of its awards, making an appropriation to carry out the provisions of this act, and restricting the right to compensation or damages in such cases to such as are provided by this act."

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Labor, by Mr. Oakley, Chairman, reported
House bill No. 354, entitled

A bill to amend sections 9, 10 and 11 of Act No. 285 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to provide for the creation of a Department of Labor, to prescribe its powers and duties; to regulate the employment of labor; to make an appropriation for the maintenance of such department, and to prescribe penalties for the violation of this act," as last amended by Act No. 220 of the Public Acts of 1911.

With the following amendment thereto, recommending that the amendment be concurred and that when so amended the bill pass:

Amend by striking out of lines 13 and 14 of section 11 the words "and any female person over sixteen and under twenty-one years of age."

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the amendment to the bill recommended by the committee,

The amendment was adopted.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Labor, by Mr. Oakley, Chairman, reported
House bill No. 321, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1 and 2 of Act No. 301 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to provide for the licensing, bonding and regulation of private employment agencies, the limiting of the amount of the fee charged by such agencies, the refunding of such fees in certain cases, the imposing of obligations on persons, firms or corporations which have induced workmen to travel in the hope of securing employment, charging the Commissioner of Labor with the enforcement of this act and empowering him to make rules and regulations, and fixing penalties for the violation hereof."

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Labor, by Mr. Oakley, Chairman, reported
Senate bill No. 124 (file No. 86), entitled

A bill to amend the title and sections 1 and 8 of Act No. 125 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of co-operative and mutual protective associations of railway conductors and engineers," approved May 26, 1909.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Labor, by Mr. Oakley, Chairman, reported
House bill No. 233 (file No. 81), entitled

A bill to amend section 26 of Act 285 of the Public Acts of 1909; entitled "An act to provide for the creation of a Department of Labor; to make an appropriation for the maintenance of such department and to prescribe penalties for the violation of this act."

With the following amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in and that when so amended the bill pass:

1. Amend by inserting in line 16 of section 26 after the word "torches" the words "for lighting purposes."

2. Amend by striking out of lines 16, 17 and 18 of section 26 the words "and the use of heaters, salamanders, or open fire places discharging smoke or gas into workrooms is also prohibited," and insert in lieu thereof the words "No salamander or open fire places shall be used, unless ample provision be made for conveying the gases arising therefrom directly from the building."

3. Strike out of line 16 of section 26 after the word "prohibited," the comma and insert in lieu thereof a period.

4. Insert in line 23 of section 26 after the word "washroom" the words "or other suitable room."

5. Insert in line 25 of section 26 before the word "dry" the words "change and."

6. Strike out of line 25 of section 26 the word "clothes" and insert in lieu thereof the word "clothing."

7. Strike out of lines 25, 26 and 27 of section 26 the words "such washrooms shall be so arranged that employes may change their clothing therein, and shall contain a sufficient number of lockers for the safe keeping of employes' clothing."

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the amendments to the bill recommended by the committee,

The amendments were adopted.

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Michigan Soldiers' Home, by Mr. Place, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 378, entitled

A bill to amend section 7 of Act No. 206 of the Public Acts of 1893, entitled "An act to provide for the assessment of property and levy and collection of taxes thereon, and for the collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied; making such taxes a lien on the lands taxed, establishing and continuing such lien, providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes, and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the State and not redeemed or purchased; and to repeal Act No. 200 of the Public Acts of 1891, and all other acts or parts of acts in any wise contravening any of the provisions of this act," being section 7 of chapter 98 and compiler's section 3830 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by Act No. 309 of the Public Acts of 1909, and as last amended by Act No. 174 of the Public Acts of 1911.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Towns and Counties, by Mr. Haviland, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 367, entitled

A bill relative to the cost of bonds to be provided by township officers.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Towns and Counties, by Mr. Haviland, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 252, entitled

A bill to provide for the compilation, publication and distribution in book form of all laws now in existence in regard to the powers and duties of township officers, to supply the same to certain township officers, and to repeal all acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The Committee on Towns and Counties, by Mr. Haviland, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 276, entitled

A bill to amend section 102 of chapter 14 of the Revised Statutes of 1846, relative to county surveyors, as amended by Act No. 140 of the Public Acts of 1869, being compiler's section 2624 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Towns and Counties, by Mr. Haviland, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 42 (file No. 40), entitled

A bill to provide for the payment of salaries to the sheriff, under sheriff, county clerk, county treasurer, register of deeds, prosecuting attorney and deputies of said officers of the several counties of the State of Michigan; providing for the collection of all fees and payment of the same to the county treasurer and prescribing penalties for the violation of this act.

With a substitute therefor, entitled

A bill to provide for the payment of salaries to the sheriff, under-sheriff, county clerk, county treasurer, register of deeds, prosecuting attorney and deputies of said officers of the several counties of the State of Michigan, excepting those counties where salaries are regulated by special act; and providing for the collection of all fees and charges and payment of the same to the county treasurer and prescribing penalties for the violation of this act, and also providing for a referendum hereof to the electors of the different counties of this State to determine the

adoption or discontinuance of the provisions of this act within their county and to repeal all acts or parts of acts in contravention to the provisions of this act.

Recommending that the substitute be concurred in and that the bill as substituted pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the proposed substitute recommended by the committee,

The substitute was adopted.

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Agriculture, by Mr. Schmidt, Chairman, reported House bill No. 300, entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of Act No. 280 of the Public Acts of 1907, entitled "An act to regulate the sampling and testing of milk and cream and the use of the Babcock test and to make the violation of any provisions thereof a misdemeanor."

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Agriculture, by Mr. Schmidt, Chairman, reported House bill No. 166, entitled

A bill to provide for pasteurizing the by-products of cheese factories, creameries, skimming stations and other places where milk is received and distributed.

With the following amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in and that when so amended the bill pass:

1. Amend by striking out of line 5 of section 1 the words "food, or."
2. Amend by striking out all of section 3.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the amendments to the bill recommended by the committee,

The amendments were adopted.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR.

A message was received from the Governor informing the House of Representatives that on Thursday, March 25, he had approved

House bill No. 201 (file No. 63), enrolled No. 19, entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the Michigan Agricultural College for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1916, to meet a deficiency in the current expense or aid fund for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1914, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

House bill No. 113 (file No. 46), enrolled No. 17, entitled

A bill to amend section 10 of chapter 3 of Act No. 283 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to revise, consolidate and add to the laws

relating to the establishment, opening, improvement, maintenance and use of the public highways and private roads; the condemnation of property and gravel therefor; the building, repairing and preservation of bridges; setting and protecting shade trees; drainage; cutting weeds and brush within this State, and providing for the election and defining the powers, duties and compensation of State, county, township and district highway officials," approved June 2, 1909, as last amended by Act No. 355 of the Public Acts of 1913; relative to number of signers to applications for submission of question of bond issue in good roads districts.

House bill No. 52 (file No. 24), enrolled No. 18, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1, 2 and 3 of Act No. 144 of the Public Acts of 1901, entitled "An act to provide for the establishment and maintenance of rural high schools," approved May 21, 1901, as last amended by Act No. 97 of the Public Acts of 1909; to permit of the discontinuance of any rural high school established under the provisions of said act.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting Senate bill No. 64 (file No. 47), entitled

A bill to provide for a retirement fund for teachers in certain cases.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Education.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting Senate bill No. 137 (file No. 92), entitled

A bill to prohibit the selling, keeping for sale, furnishing or delivering groceries or meats on Sunday, and to provide for keeping closed on Sunday grocery and meat shops, to define the meaning of the same, and to provide penalties for the violation of this act.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting Senate bill No. 176 (file No. 202), entitled

A bill to amend the title and sections 1 and 15 of Act No. 257 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to regulate the construction and operation of moving picture shows and theatres showing moving pictures, in which celluloid films are used, to provide for an inspection fee for operating the same and to place supervision of such shows and theatres under the department of the State Fire Marshal."

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Koehler introduced

House bill No. 402, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of Act No. 11 of the Public Acts of the State of Michigan for the year 1911, entitled "An act designating the days to be observed as holidays in the public schools of this State."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Henry introduced

House bill No. 403, entitled

A bill to amend section 9 of Act No. 198 of the Laws of 1873, entitled "An act to revise the laws providing for the incorporation of the railroad, bridge and tunnel companies, and to regulate the running and management and to fix the duties and liabilities of all railroad, bridge, tunnel and other corporations owning or operating any railroad, bridge or tunnel within this State," as amended, said section being compiler's section 6234 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Gettel introduced

House bill No. 404, entitled

A bill to amend sections 2, 3, 4, and 7 of Act No. 48 of the Public Acts of 1901, entitled "An act to provide for a tax upon dogs, and to create a fund for the payment of certain damages for sheep killed or wounded by them in certain cases."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Mr. Flowers introduced

House joint resolution No. 32, entitled

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to Article XIII of the Constitution of this State, by adding a new section thereto to stand as section 3a of said article, authorizing excess condemnation of lands or property for street, highway or park opening purposes.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Revision and Amendment of the Constitution.

Mr. Newel Smith introduced

House bill No. 405, entitled

A bill to repeal Act No. 461 of the Local Acts of 1907, entitled "An act authorizing and requiring the board of supervisors of Gratiot county to designate a local bank or banks as a depository or depositories of Gratiot county moneys, and prescribing the duties of certain officers relating thereto."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Evens introduced

House bill No. 406, entitled

A bill to establish a test and gauge and to regulate the sale and provide for the inspection of galvanized wire fence.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Mr. DeBoer introduced

House bill No. 407, entitled

A bill to repeal section 2 of chapter 81 of the Revised Statutes of 1846, entitled "Of fraudulent conveyances, and contracts relative to goods, chattels and things in action," being compiler's section 9515 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by subdivision 5 of section 2 of Act 238 of the Public Acts of 1913, approved May 7, 1913.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Petermann introduced

House bill No. 408, entitled

A bill to insure protection of life and limb in case of fire, by requiring owners or lessees of all public halls, except halls on the ground floors, when used by women and children, to have an attendant in constant charge of the main exit and to require the owners or lessees of all buildings required by law to be equipped with fire escapes, to post, in a conspicuous place in each hall, of such building, except halls on the ground floors, printed notices calling attention to and directing the way to the fire escape; and to provide penalties for the violation of this act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Insurance.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 133 (file No. 131), entitled

A bill to amend section 28 and section 29 of Act No. 278 of the Public Acts of 1907, entitled "An act to organize a State Psychopathic Hospital, to provide for the management thereof, and making an appropriation therefor, and to repeal Act 161 of the Public Acts of 1901 and Act 140 of the Public Acts of 1905."

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Green	Mr. Nelson	Mr. Smith, Newel
Anderson	Griggs	Oakley	Smith, S. J.
Ashley	Haviland	O'Brien	Snow
Averill	Henry	Olmsted	Sours
Biggerstaff	Hinkley	Ormsbee	Stevens
Bosch	Hoffman	Palmer	Stevenson
Chapin	Hopkins	Penney	Sutton
Clark	Hulse	Person	Symonds

Mr. Cowan	Mr. Jerome, J. D.	Mr. Petermann	Mr. Tufts
Croll	Jerome, Wm. F.	Place	Van Antwerp
Culver	Jones	Pray	Ward
Daprato	Keen	Quintel	Warner
De Boer	Kemmerling	Read, Thos.	Watkins
Edwards	Koehler	Reed, Clarence J.	Weissert
Evens	Kooyers	Rice	Wells
Ewing	Lamphere	Robertson	Whiteley
Flowers	Leland	Rogers	Wieland
Follett	Lewis	Root	Wiley
Foote	McMillan	Ross	Wolcott
Ford, Ransom L.	Martin	Schmidt	Wood
Ford, Sheridan	Matthews	Sherman	Woodruff
Francis	Miller	Shields	Wright
Gayde	Nank	Smith, F. A.	Speaker
Gettel			

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

Mr. Olmsted moved that the bill be ordered to take immediate effect.

The motion prevailed, two-thirds of all the members-elect voting therefor.

House bill No. 177 (file No. 132), entitled

A bill making appropriations for current expenses and for special purposes for the Michigan College of Mines at Houghton for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Green	Mr. Nelson	Mr. Smith, S. J.
Anderson	Griggs	Oakley	Snow
Ashley	Haviland	O'Brien	Sours
Averill	Henry	Olmsted	Stevens
Biggerstaff	Hinkley	Ormsbee	Stevenson
Bosch	Hoffman	Palmer	Sutton
Chapin	Hopkins	Penney	Symonds
Clark	Hulse	Person	Tufts
Cowan	Jerome, Jas. D.	Petermann	Van Antwerp
Croll	Jerome, Wm. F.	Place	Ward
Culver	Jones	Pray	Warner
Daprato	Keen	Quintel	Watkins
De Boer	Kemmerling	Read, Thos.	Weissert
Edwards	Koehler	Reed, Clarence J.	Wells
Evens	Kooyers	Rice	Whiteley
Ewing	Lamphere	Robertson	Wieland
Flowers	Leland	Rogers	Wiley
Follett	Lewis	Ross	Wolcott
Foote	McMillan	Schmidt	Wood
Ford, Ransom L.	Martin	Sherman	Woodruff
Francis	Matthews	Shields	Wright
Gayde	Miller	Smith, F. A.	Speaker
Gettel	Nank	Smith, Newel	

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

Mr. Petermann moved that the bill be ordered to take immediate effect.

The motion prevailed, two-thirds of all the members-elect voting therefor.

House bill No. 92 (file No. 133), entitled

A bill making appropriations for the Northern State Normal School for current expenses and for special purposes, for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Green	Mr. O'Brien	Mr. Smith, S. J.
Anderson	Griggs	Olmsted	Snow
Ashley	Haviland	Ormsbee	Sours
Averill	Henry	Palmer	Stevens
Biggerstaff	Hinkley	Penney	Stevenson
Bosch	Hopkins	Person	Sutton
Chapin	Hulse	Petermann	Symonds
Clark	Jerome, Jas. D.	Place	Tufts
Cowan	Jerome, Wm. F.	Pray	Van Antwerp
Croll	Jones	Quintel	Ward
Culver	Keen	Read, Thos.	Warner
Daprato	Kemmerling	Reed, C. J.	Watkins
De Boer	Koehler	Rice	Weissert
Edwards	Kooyers	Robertson	Wells
Evens	Leland	Rogers	Whiteley
Ewing	Lewis	Root	Wieland
Flowers	McMillan	Ross	Wiley
Follett	Martin	Schmidt	Wolcott
Foote	Matthews	Sherman	Wood
Ford, R. L.	Miller	Shields	Woodruff
Francis	Nank	Smith, F. A.	Wright
Gayde	Nelson	Smith, Newel	Speaker
Gettel	Oakley		

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NAYS.

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

Mr. Ewing moved that the bill be ordered to take immediate effect.

The motion prevailed, two-thirds of all the members-elect voting therefor.

House bill No. 203 (file No. 77), entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of Act No. 232 of the Public Acts of 1903, entitled "An act to revise and consolidate the laws, providing for the incorporation of manufacturing and mercantile companies or any union of the two, and for the incorporation of companies for carrying on any other lawful business, except such as are precluded from organization

under this act by its express provisions, and to prescribe the powers and fix the duties and liabilities of such corporations," by adding a new section thereto to stand as section 1 (a).

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Green	Mr. O'Brien	Mr. Smith, S. J.
Anderson	Griggs	Olmsted	Snow
Ashley	Henry	Ormsbee	Sours
Averill	Hinkley	Palmer	Stevens
Biggerstaff	Hoffman	Penney	Stevenson
Bosch	Hopkins	Petermann	Symonds
Chapin	Hulse	Place	Tufts
Clark	Jerome, Jas. D.	Pray	Van Antwerp
Croll	Jerome, Wm. F.	Quintel	Ward
Culver	Jones	Read, Thos.	Warner
Daprato	Keen	Reed, C. J.	Watkins
De Boer	Kemmerling	Rice	Weissert
Edwards	Kooyers	Robertson	Wells
Evens	Lamphere	Rogers	Whiteley
Ewing	Leland	Root	Wieland
Flowers	Lewis	Ross	Wiley
Follett	McMillan	Schmidt	Wolcott
Foote	Martin	Sherman	Wood
Ford, R. L.	Matthews	Shields	Woodruff
Francis	Miller	Smith, F. A.	Wright
Gayde	Nank	Smith, Newel	Speaker
Gettel	Oakley		

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NAYS.

Mr. Person

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

House bill No. 307 (file No. 120), entitled

A bill to amend the title and section 1 of Act No. 354 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act relative to the use, sale, trading and disposition of horses and mules, permanently unfit for work, and to provide a penalty for the violation thereof," approved May 13, 1913.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Gettel	Mr. Oakley	Mr. Smith, Newel
Anderson	Green	O'Brien	Smith, S. J.
Ashley	Griggs	Olmsted	Snow
Averill	Haviland	Ormsbee	Sours
Biggerstaff	Henry	Palmer	Stevens
Bosch	Hoffman	Penney	Stevenson
Chapin	Hulse	Person	Sutton
Croll	Jerome, Jas. D.	Petermann	Symonds
Culver	Jerome, W. F.	Place	Tufts
Daprato	Jones	Pray	Ward
De Boer	Keen	Quintel	Warner

Mr. Edwards	Mr. Kemmerling	Mr. Read, Thos.	Mr. Watkins
Evens	Koehler	Reed, C. J.	Weissert
Ewing	Kooyers	Rice	Whiteley
Flowers	Lamphere	Robertson	Wieland
Follett	Leland	Rogers	Wiley
Footo	Lewis	Ross	Wolcott
Ford, R. L.	Martin	Schmidt	Wood
Ford, Sheridan	Matthews	Sherman	Woodruff
Francis	Miller	Shields	Wright
Gayde	Nank	Smith, F. A.	Speaker

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NAYS.

Mr. Hopkins

Mr. Root

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The question being on agreeing to the title of the bill,

Mr. Wood moved to amend the title so as to read as follows:

A bill to amend the title and section 1 of Act No. 354 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act relative to the use, sale or disposition of horses and mules permanently unfit for work, and to provide a penalty for the violation thereof," approved May 13, 1913.

The motion prevailed.

The House agreed to the title of the bill as amended.

House bill No. 250 (file No. 122), entitled

A bill to amend sections 1 and 3 of Act 137 of the Public Acts of 1883, entitled "An act to specify certain duties of health officers and to provide for compensation therefor, in townships, cities and villages where a health officer is not otherwise instructed by the local board of health," the same being sections 4460 and 4462 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

Was read a third time and, the question being on its passage,

Mr. Newel Smith moved to amend the bill

1. By inserting in line 4 of section 3 after the word "day" the words "while actually engaged in the performance of his duties."

The motion prevailed and the amendment was adopted, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor.

Mr. Warner moved to amend the bill

2. By striking out of section 1 all after the word "conditions" in line 36.

The motion did not prevail and the amendment was not adopted, a majority of all the members-elect not voting therefor.

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Ashley	Mr. Hulse	Mr. Olmsted	Mr. Smith, S. J.
Averill	Jerome, Jas. D.	Ormsbee	Snow
Bosch	Jerome, W. F.	Palmer	Sours
Chapin	Jones	Penney	Stevens
Clark	Keen	Person	Stevenson
De Boer	Kemmerling	Petermann	Symonds
Evens	Koehler	Pray	Watkins

Mr. Flowers
Gayde
Green
Haviland
Henry
Hinkley
Hoffman
Hopkins

Mr. Kooyers
Lewis
McMillan
Martin
Miller
Nank
Oakley
O'Brien

Mr. Quintel
Reed, C. J.
Robertson
Schmidt
Sherman
Shields
Smith, F. A.
Smith, Newel

Mr. Weissert
Wells
Wiley
Wolcott
Wood
Wright
Speaker

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NAYS.

Mr. Amon
Anderson
Biggerstaff
Cowan
Croll
Culver
Daprato
Edwards
Empson

Mr. Ewing
Follett
Ford, R. L.
Ford, Sheridan
Francis
Griggs
Lamphere
Leland

Mr. Matthews
Moore
Nelson
Place
Read, Thos.
Rice
Rogers
Root

Mr. Ross
Tufts
Van Antwerp
Ward
Warner
Whiteley
Wieland
Woodruff

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

By unanimous consent, the House returned to the order of

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

A message was received from the Senate re-transmitting Senate bill No. 174 (file No. 124), entitled

A bill to provide for the transfer of the powers and duties of the State Game, Fish and Forestry Warden to the Public Domain Commission, and to define the powers and duties of the Public Domain Commission in relation thereto, and to repeal all acts or parts of acts which conflict herewith.

And informing the House of Representatives that the bill was presented to the Governor on March 16, 1915, and returned by him to the Senate, without having been signed by him, and with his objections thereto, on March 25, 1915;

And further informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill, the objections of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding, two-thirds of the Senators-elect having voted therefor.

The message from the Governor to the Senate, stating his objections to the bill, was transmitted with the bill, and is as follows:

State of Michigan.

Executive Office, Lansing.

To the President of the Senate, State Capitol, Lansing:

Sir:—I herewith return without approval,

Senate bill No. 174 (file No. 124), enrolled No. 6, entitled

A bill to provide for the transfer of the powers and duties of the State Game, Fish and Forestry Warden to the Public Domain Commission,

and to define the powers and duties of the Public Domain Commission in relation thereto, and to repeal all acts, or parts of acts, which conflict therewith.

Are the duties of the State Game, Fish and Forestry Warden and the duties of the Public Domain Commission, by their very nature, so interrelated that the work of the two departments is duplicated? If the work is so interrelated why has the Public Domain Commission failed to ask for this transfer; why does the Public Domain Commission disapprove of the transfer? I find no demand on the part of the citizens in any part of the State for this transfer.

The duties of the State Game and Forestry Warden are essentially police duties and apply to all parts of the State. The duties of the Public Domain Commission are constructive, creative, scientific, and apply chiefly to the newer sections of the State. In the two departments there is no harmony in their ideals, no uniformity in their methods of work, and no similarity in the qualifications necessary for successfully administering their respective duties. The inevitable result will be an increase in expenditures, a decrease in efficiency, and a marked diminution in the State-wide influence of both departments. There is, therefore, no logical reason for combining the two departments.

The experience of other states is worthy of consideration. A writer in a recent issue of the "American Forestry" magazine says: "Such plans have failed of effectiveness under trial, and tended to loss of efficiency and interest in forestry on the part of the commission." All of the New England states have separate commissions for forestry service, together with New Jersey, Maryland, Ohio, Idaho, Montana, Washington and California. Alabama after eight years' trial of combining the two departments, is now considering a separation; likewise Texas. Reference is frequently made to New York; but in this state the two classes of work maintain entirely separate sets of wardens overlapping in the same territory. In other words, New York has never attempted to combine the field work of the fish and game wardens with that of the forest and fire wardens. Governor Whitman in his recent message to the legislature says: "The work of the divisions of the forestry and of fish and game must be kept entirely separate."

This bill was rushed through both Houses without adequate discussion. If this act was "necessary for the preservation of public peace, health and safety" and given immediate effect, why this absence of discussion? I object to this act because I believe it is injurious to the best interests of the State of Michigan.

Very truly yours,

WOODBIDGE N. FERRIS,
Governor.

The question being on the passage of the bill, the objections of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Mr. Tufts moved that there be a call of the House.

The motion prevailed.

PROCEEDINGS UNDER THE CALL.

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk, who announced that there were no absentees without leave.

Mr. Oakley moved that the House proceed with the regular order of business under the call.

The motion prevailed.

After debate,

Mr. Tufts demanded the previous question.

The demand was seconded.

The question being, "Shall the main question be now put?"

The previous question was ordered.

The bill was then passed, two-thirds of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Green	Mr. Nelson	Mr. Smith, F. A.
Anderson	Griggs	Oakley	Smith, Newel
Ashley	Haviland	O'Brien	Smith, S. J.
Averill	Henry	Olmsted	Snow
Chapin	Hinkley	Ormsbee	Sours
Clark	Hoffman	Palmer	Stevens
Cowan	Hopkins	Penney	Stevenson
Croll	Hulse	Person	Symonds
Culver	Jerome, Jas. D.	Petermann	Tufts
Daprato	Jerome, W. F.	Pray	Van Antwerp
De Boer	Jones	Quintel	Ward
Edwards	Kemmerling	Read, Thos.	Warner
Evens	Koehler	Reed, C. J.	Watkins
Ewing	Kooyers	Rice	Weissert
Flowers	Lamphere	Robertson	Wells
Follett	Leland	Rogers	Whiteley
Foote	Lewis	Root	Wieland
Ford, R. L.	McMillan	Ross	Wood
Ford, Sheridan	Martin	Schmidt	Woodruff
Francis	Miller	Sherman	Wright
Gayde	Nank	Shields	Speaker
Gettel			

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NAYS.

Mr. Biggerstaff	Mr. Matthews	Mr. Place	Mr. Wiley
Keen	Moore	Sutton	Wolcott

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

Mr. Keen moved that the bill be ordered to take immediate effect.

The motion prevailed, two-thirds of all the members-elect voting therefor.

Mr. Hinkley moved that all further proceedings under the call be dispensed with.

The motion prevailed.

The House resumed the order of

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 150 (file No. 125), entitled

A bill to amend section 9 of Act No. 198 of the Laws of 1873, entitled "An act to revise the laws providing for the incorporation of the railroad, bridge and tunnel companies, and to regulate the running and management, and to fix the duties and liabilities of all railroad, bridge, tunnel and other corporations owning or operating any railroad, bridge, or tunnel within this State," as amended, said section being compiler's section 6234 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Francis	Mr. Ormsbee	Mr. Snow
Anderson	Gayde	Palmer	Sours
Ashley	Gettel	Penney	Stevens
Averill	Green	Person	Stevenson
Chapin	Griggs	Petermann	Sutton
Clark	Henry	Place	Symonds
Cowan	Hoffman	Pray	Tufts
Croll	Hopkins	Quintel	Van Antwerp
Culver	Hulse	Reed, C. J.	Warner
Daprato	Keen	Rice	Watkins
De Boer	Kemmerling	Robertson	Weissert
Edwards	Koehler	Rogers	Wells
Empson	Kooyers	Root	Whiteley
Evans	Lamphere	Ross	Wieland
Ewing	Leland	Schmidt	Wiley
Flowers	Miller	Sherman	Wolcott
Follett	Oakley	Shields	Wood
Foote	O'Brien	Smith, Newel	Woodruff
Ford, R. L.	Olmsted	Smith, S. J.	Speaker
Ford, Sheridan			

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NAYS.

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

House bill No. 248 (file No. 128), entitled

A bill to amend sections 3, 4, 6 and 9 of Act No. 242 of the Public Acts of 1863, entitled "An act for the incorporation of hospitals or asylums, in cases where valuable grants or emoluments have been made to trustees for such purposes and the several acts amendatory thereof.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Gettel	Mr. Palmer	Mr. Smith, S. J.
Anderson	Griggs	Penney	Sours
Ashley	Henry	Person	Stevens
Averill	Hoffman	Petermann	Stevenson
Biggerstaff	Hulse	Place	Sutton
Chapin	Jerome, W. F.	Pray	Symonds
Cowan	Kemmerling	Quintel	Warner
Croll	Koehler	Read, Thos.	Watkins
Culver	Kooyers	Reed, C. J.	Weissert
Daprato	Leland	Rice	Wells
De Boer	Lewis	Robertson	Whiteley
Empson	McMillan	Rogers	Wieland
Evens	Matthews	Root	Wiley
Ewing	Miller	Ross	Wolcott
Flowers	Moore	Schmidt	Wood
Foote	Oakley	Sherman	Woodruff
Ford, R. L.	O'Brien	Shields	Wright
Ford, Sheridan	Olmsted	Smith, Newel	Speaker.
Francis			

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NAYS.

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

House bill No. 320 (file No. 129), entitled

A bill to amend sections 10 and 11 of chapter 171 of the Revised Statutes of 1846, entitled "Of county jails and the regulation thereof," being sections 2659 and 2660 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as last amended by Act No. 10 of the Public Acts of 1909.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Gettel	Mr. Olmsted	Mr. Smith, Newel
Anderson	Henry	Ormsbee	Smith, S. J.
Averill	Hoffman	Palmer	Snow
Biggerstaff	Hopkins	Penney	Sours
Chapin	Hulse	Person	Stevens
Clark	Jerome, W. F.	Petermann	Stevenson
Cowan	Jones	Place	Sutton
Croll	Keen	Pray	Symonds
Culver	Kemmerling	Quintel	Van Antwerp
Daprato	Koehler	Read, Thos.	Ward
De Boer	Kooyers	Reed, C. J.	Warner
Edwards	Lamphere	Rice	Watkins
Evens	Leland	Robertson	Wieland
Ewing	Lewis	Rogers	Wiley
Flowers	McMillan	Root	Wolcott
Foote	Matthews	Ross	Wood
Ford, R. L.	Miller	Schmidt	Woodruff
Ford, Sheridan	Moore	Sherman	Wright
Francis	Oakley	Shields	Speaker
Gayde			

77

NAYS.

0

The House agreed to the title of the bill.

House bill No. 336 (file No. 134), entitled

A bill to amend section 6 of Act No. 217 of the Public Acts of 1897, entitled "An act to provide for the registration of deaths in Michigan and requiring certificates of death," being compiler's section 4619 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Gayde	Mr. Palmer	Mr. Stevens
Anderson	Gettel	Penney	Stevenson
Ashley	Green	Person	Sutton
Averill	Henry	Petermann	Symonds
Biggerstaff	Hoffman	Place	Tufts
Chapin	Hopkins	Pray	Van Antwerp
Clark	Jerome, W. F.	Quintel	Ward
Cowan	Jones	Read, Thos.	Warner
Croll	Keen	Reed, C. J.	Watkins
Culver	Koehler	Rice	Weissert
Daprato	Kooyers	Robertson	Wells
De Boer	Lewis	Rogers	Whiteley
Edwards	McMillan	Root	Wieland
Empson	Matthews	Schmidt	Wiley
Evens	Miller	Sherman	Wolcott
Ewing	Moore	Shields	Wood
Flowers	Oakley	Smith, Newel	Woodruff
Foote	O'Brien	Smith, S. J.	Wright
Ford, R. L.	Olmsted	Snow	Speaker
Francis	Ormsbee	Sours	

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NAYS.

0

The House agreed to the title of the bill.

House bill No. 94 (file No. 135), entitled

A bill to amend Act 146 of the Public Acts of 1879, entitled "An act to authorize boards of health of cities, villages and townships, to furnish vaccination to the inhabitants thereof," approved February 15, 1879, being compiler's section 4465 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Gettel	Mr. O'Brien	Mr. Snow
Anderson	Green	Olmsted	Sours
Ashley	Griggs	Ormsbee	Stevens
Averill	Henry	Palmer	Stevenson
Biggerstaff	Hinkley	Penney	Sutton
Chapin	Hoffman	Person	Symonds
Clark	Hopkins	Petermann	Tufts
Cowan	Hulse	Place	Van Antwerp
Croll	Jerome, W. F.	Pray	Ward
Culver	Jones	Quintel	Warner
Daprato	Keen	Read, Thos.	Watkins
De Boer	Koehler	Reed, C. J.	Weissert
Edwards	Kooyers	Rice	Wells

Mr. Empson	Mr. Lamphere	Mr. Robertson	Mr. Whiteley	
Evens	Leland	Root	Wieland	
Ewing	Lewis	Ross	Wiley	
Flowers	McMillan	Schmidt	Wolcott	
Foote	Matthews	Sherman	Wood	
Ford, R. L.	Miller	Shields	Woodruff	
Ford, Sheridan	Moore	Smith, F. A.	Wright	
Francis	Nelson	Smith, Newel	Speaker	
Gayde	Oakley	Smith, S. J.		87
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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

By unanimous consent the House returned to the order of

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting Senate concurrent resolution No. 13.

Whereas, Certain statements have been made and are now being circulated in and about the Capitol charging that there has been improper conduct on the part of the representatives of the railroads of this State who are asking this Legislature for the enactment of a law authorizing increases in railroad passenger rates, and

Whereas, There have been presented to the public of this State through the medium of the press, statements of a similar character intimating, if not directly charging, the said railroad representatives with the corrupt use of money and other illegal and improper means in furthering such rate legislation, and

Whereas, In an issue of the Grand Rapids Herald of March 19, 1915, there appeared an article, apparently based upon interviews with certain members of the House of Representatives, in which article, after characterizing certain attorneys of the railroad companies as "lobbyists," the following language is used:

"These lobbyists have threatened some bills unless those who stood sponsor for them came around the railroad side of thinking. They have attempted to engender opposition to various bills in order to bring over those who stood behind them. Every means possible is said to have been used to bring the Legislature to the side of the railroads," and

Whereas, By the following language used in said article, viz.: "We would like to know, for instance, if the railroads did raise \$300,000.00 slush fund for the purpose of putting this fare bill through the Legislature, as has been rumored repeatedly around Lansing," it is intimated, if not directly charged, that the railroad companies are making improper use of money in an attempt to bring about favorable legislation, and

Whereas, In recent speeches made upon the floor of the House serious charges, by implication, were made against certain members of the Railroad Commission with reference to railroad legislation, and

Whereas, Every such statement and insinuation is a direct affront and reflection upon the integrity of this Legislature as a whole and each individual member thereof, and

Whereas, In justice to this honorable body, its individual members, the people of the State, State officers, the representatives of the railroads of this State and all others whose names have become involved in this matter, it is imperative that there should be an immediate investigation to determine the truth or falsity of the before-mentioned statements and rumors, and the source or sources from which they emanate; therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring), That the President of the Senate appoint forthwith a committee of five of the members of the Senate to act jointly with a similar committee to be appointed by the Speaker of the House, which committee shall investigate in detail the activities and conduct of all those persons who have been and are supporting or opposing the proposed railroad legislation for the purpose of determining whether or not improper or unlawful methods have been employed to influence the conduct of any members of the Legislature or any State officer.

Said committee is also directed to investigate the truth or falsity of the newspaper statements hereinbefore quoted and if the same shall be found to be false, the source or sources from which the same emanated, and to investigate such other matters as to this committee may seem appropriate and necessary to enable this committee to make a full, complete and accurate report thereon, and to report not later than April first.

Resolved, further, That said committee be and it is hereby authorized and empowered to require and enforce the attendance of witnesses and to administer oaths and to employ counsel, stenographers, clerks and other employes as may be necessary for the purpose of the investigation, the expense of the same to be paid out of the general fund of the State, upon vouchers signed by the chairman and the secretary of said committee.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the concurrent resolution.

The question being on concurring in the adoption of the resolution,
After debate,

Mr. Wiley moved to amend by adding at the end of said resolution the following:

Resolved further, That said committee are hereby instructed to investigate:

First—Whether there is a publicity fund used or to be used by the railroads for the purpose of creating and giving expression to public sentiment favorable to the rate increase asked for by the railroads; the amount of said fund; by whom contributed, and the amount of each contribution.

Second—The manner in which said fund is being used; for what purposes, and the amount already expended or contracted to be paid, either within or without this State.

Third—The amounts already paid or agreed to be paid to any newspaper within this State, or any publishing concern, either within or without this State, for advertising for said purpose.

Fourth—The names and identity of all men throughout the State of Michigan, who by request, influence, or payment, or promise of such, have been asked by any of said railroads to assist in influencing members of this Legislature to vote for an increase in fare.

Fifth—The names of all persons who have been in Lansing during this session of the Legislature for the purpose of influencing or assisting to influence members of the Legislature, and at whose request they were here, and by whom their said expenses were paid or promised to be paid.

Sixth—Whether or not any special inducements have been made to any of the big shippers of this State to use their influence in favor of a rate increase, and if so, what.

Seventh—The names of all persons in Lansing, including attorneys-at-law, retained for the purpose of doing railroad business, or for the purpose of furthering the demand or request of the railroads for an increase in rates.

Eighth—The full and complete facts regarding the statement credited to C. S. Cunningham a member of the Michigan Railroad Commission, published in the Lansing State Journal of March 23d, by whom prepared; at whose instance; where; under what circumstances, and by whom said advertisement was or is to be paid for or charged to.

Ninth—Fully and completely the entire question of the methods and manner of the railroads in furthering their request for a rate increase by this Legislature.

Tenth—That the Attorney General of this State be requested to act as the counsel for said committee, and be present at its hearings for the purpose of examining witnesses.

Mr. Haviland demanded the previous question.

The demand was seconded.

The question being, "Shall the main question now be put?"

The previous question was ordered.

The motion to amend made by Mr. Wiley did not prevail.

The concurrent resolution was then adopted.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. James D. Jerome moved to take from the table

House bill No. 192 (file No. 85), entitled

A bill to amend sections 4, 14, 16, 18, 19 and 22 of an act, entitled "An act to regulate the practice of pharmacy in the State of Michigan," same being Act No. 134 of the Public Acts of 1885, approved June 2, 1885, as amended by Act 332 of the Public Acts of 1905, approved June 20, 1905.

The motion prevailed.

The question being on the passage of the bill, Mr. James D. Jerome moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Public Health.

Mr. Oakley moved that when the House adjourns today it stand adjourned until tomorrow at 9:00 o'clock a. m.

The motion prevailed.

GENERAL ORDERS OF THE DAY.

Mr. Flowers moved that the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole on the general orders.

The motion prevailed.

The Speaker called Mr. Flowers to the chair.

After a time spent in the consideration of bills upon the general orders, the committee rose, and, through its chairman, made a report recommending the passage, without amendment, of the following entitled bills:

Senate bill No. 19 (file No. 19), entitled

A bill making appropriations for the Michigan Soldiers' Home for current expenses for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, and to provide a tax therefor.

Senate bill No. 39 (file No. 32), entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the Michigan Soldiers' Home for building and special purposes for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1916, and for the refunding of excess pension money, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

House bill No. 24 (file No. 10), entitled

A bill to amend sections 10, 11, 12, 13 and 16 of chapter 81 of the Revised Statutes of 1846, entitled "Fraudulent conveyances and contracts relative to personal property," being sections 9523, 9524, 9525, 9526 and 9529 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, said section 9523 being last amended by Act No. 332 of the Public Acts of 1907.

Senate bill No. 230 (file No. 179), entitled

A bill to require all motor boats, launches, or other water craft propelled by gasoline or other internal combustion engines, operated on the inland waters of this State, to be equipped with mufflers, underwater exhausts or other suitable devices to deaden sound; and to provide penalties for violations.

Senate bill No. 72 (file No. 167), entitled

A bill to amend the title and sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 7 of Act 244 of the Public Acts of the State of Michigan for the year 1907, entitled "An act to protect the title and to regulate the practice of veterinary medicine and surgery in all its various branches in the State of Michigan; providing for a State veterinary board and prescribing its

duties; regulating existing practitioners; governing undergraduates and reciprocity with the other states and provinces; prescribing penalties for its violation and repealing all inconsistent acts," and to add a new section thereto to stand as section 15 of said act.

House bill No. 82 (file No. 111), entitled

A bill to amend section 1 and section 9 of Act No. 294 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to provide for the licensing and regulating of the business of transient merchants; to prevent the fraudulent sale of goods by such transient merchants; to provide a lien on the goods of such transient merchants for the license fees prescribed, and to provide penalties for the violation thereof."

Senate bill No. 81 (file No. 57), entitled

A bill to provide for the incorporation and regulation of companies to insure railway conductors, railway engineers and railway officials for the loss of position arising from discharge or retirement.

The bills were placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

The Committee of the Whole reported progress on

Senate bill No. 55 (file No. 165), entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of Act No. 334 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to provide for the establishment, survey, improvement and maintenance of State reward trunk line highways, to provide for the payment of double State reward thereon, to define the duties of State, county, good roads district and township officers in regard thereto, and to appropriate funds to carry out the provisions thereof," approved May 13, 1913.

Recommending that the bill be given further consideration.

The recommendation was concurred in, and the committee was given leave further to consider the bill.

Mr. Haviland moved that when the House adjourns tomorrow it stand adjourned until Monday at 8:30 o'clock p. m.

Mr. Averill moved that the House adjourn.

The motion prevailed, the time being 5:54 o'clock p. m.

The Speaker declared the House adjourned until tomorrow at 9:00 o'clock a. m.

CHARLES S. PIERCE,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.

FIFTY-FOURTH DAY.

Lansing, Friday, March 26

9:00 o'clock a. m.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

Religious exercises were conducted by Rev. George H. Coman, of the Mayflower Congregational Church, of Lansing.

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk, who announced that a quorum was present.

Messrs. Bosch, Flowers, Sheridan Ford, Gayde, Jones, Koehler, Sly and Vine were absent with leave.

Messrs. Cowan, James D. Jerome, Martz, Nank, Palmer, Pray, Clarence J. Reed, Stevenson and Sutton were absent without leave.

Mr. Foote moved that Mr. Nank be excused from today's and Monday's sessions.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Newel Smith moved that Clarence J. Reed be granted an indefinite leave of absence.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Ashley moved that all absentees without leave be excused from today's session.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Daigneau asked and obtained a leave of absence from the balance of today's session after 10:00 o'clock.

Mr. Schmidt asked and obtained a leave of absence from Monday's and Tuesday's sessions.

The Speaker announced the appointment, under authority of Senate concurrent resolution No. 13, providing for an investigation as to whether or not improper or unlawful methods have been employed in support of or in opposition to proposed railroad legislation, of the following committee:

Messrs. Moore, Newel Smith, Evens, Martin and Kooyers.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

Mr. Anderson presented
Petition No. 1019.

Resolutions adopted by Benzie County Grange No. 75, of Benzie county, protesting against any change in the rate of passenger fares charged by the railroads of the State.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on Railroads.

The Speaker presented
Petition No. 1020.

Petition of Rev. J. G. Haller, D. D., and 80 other citizens of Lapeer, Lapeer county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 214, providing for State-wide prohibition.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Leland presented
Petition No. 1021.

Petition of Wm. Ellison and 40 other citizens of Douglas, Allegan county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 337, providing for and limiting the taxes to be spread and assessed against property within the limits of an incorporated village.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Miller presented
Petition No. 1022.

Petition of Mrs. Geo. Kast and 90 other citizens of Bushnell, Montcalm county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 214, providing for State-wide prohibition.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Matthews presented
Petition No. 1023.

Petition of W. B. McCaren and 19 other members of Olive Branch Sunday School of Galien, Berrien county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 65, relative to the reading of the Holy Bible in the public schools of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Matthews presented
Petition No. 1024.

Petition of John Rice and 25 other citizens of St. Joseph, Berrien county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 65, relative to the reading of the Holy Bible in the public schools of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Frank A. Smith presented

Petition No. 1025.

Protest of Mr. E. J. Brooks and 14 other citizens of Hoxeyville, Wexford county, against any change in the rate of passenger fares charged by the railroads of the State.

The protest was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Frank A. Smith presented

Petition No. 1026.

Protest of Mr. C. E. Smith and 10 other citizens of Cadillac, Wexford county, against any change in the rate of passenger fares charged by the railroads of the State.

The protest was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Matthews presented

Petition No. 1027.

Petition of O. C. Roe and 25 other citizens of Buchanan, Berrien county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 214, providing for State-wide prohibition.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Oakley presented

Petition No. 1028.

Petition of N. E. Lefle and 52 other citizens of Bentley, Bay county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 65, relative to the reading of the Holy Bible in the public schools of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Snow presented

Petition No. 1029.

Petition of Hart Fisher and 35 other citizens of Kalamazoo county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 214, providing for State-wide prohibition.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Henry presented

Petition No. 1030.

Petition of Grant I. Bennett and 58 other citizens of Calhoun county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 10, relative to requiring certain vehicles to carry lights at night on public highways.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Roads and Bridges.

Mr. Henry presented

Petition No. 1031.

Protest of E. W. Roberts and 152 other members of organized labor and citizens of Battle Creek, Calhoun county, against amending the compensation law so as to prohibit any person who shall be injured in the performance of his duties while intoxicated from being entitled to compensation.

The protest was referred to the Committee on Labor.

Mr. Henry presented
Petition No. 1032.

Resolutions adopted by the Board of Commerce of Flint, Genesee county, protesting against any discrimination in passenger fare rates between the various railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY CLERK OF PRINTING OF BILLS.

The Clerk announced that the following named bills had been printed and placed upon the files of the members Thursday, March 25:

House bill No. 380 (file No. 149), entitled

A bill to provide for the incorporation of farm-land banks and prescribing their powers and duties; to provide for the issuing of bonds by such institutions; exempting such banks and the bonds issued thereby from taxation; and to provide for the examination and regulation of such banks by the Commissioner of Banking.

House bill No. 358 (file No. 150), entitled

A bill to provide for an angler's license to take or catch or attempt to take or catch fish with a hook and line in the lakes and streams within the jurisdiction of the State of Michigan, to provide that non-resident licensees may take from the State a day's legal catch, to provide for the sale and issuing of licenses, to provide a penalty for the violation of any of the provisions of this act and to authorize and regulate the disbursement of fees collected thereunder, and to repeal Act 329 of the Public Acts of 1913.

House bill No. 91 (file No. 151), entitled

A bill making appropriation for the purchase of land for the use of the State House of Correction and Branch Prison in the Upper Peninsula, for farming purposes, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

House bill No. 268 (file No. 152), entitled

A bill authorizing the Board of Control of the Michigan State Prison to sell and dispose of certain lands situate within the county of Jackson and providing for the reappropriation of the proceeds thereof to purchase prison farms.

The Clerk announced that the following named bills had been printed and placed upon the files of the members Friday, March 26.

House bill No. 377 (file No. 153), entitled

A bill to amend section 7 of chapter 3 of Act No. 283 of the Public Acts of 1909, as amended, entitled "An act to revise, consolidate and add to the laws relating to the establishment, opening, improvement, maintenance and use of the public highways and private roads, the condemnation of property and gravel therefor; the building, repairing and preservation of bridges, setting and protecting shade trees, drainage, cutting weeds and brush within this State, and providing for the election and defining the powers, duties and compensation of State, county, township and district highway officials."

House bill No. 228 (file No. 154), entitled

A bill to amend section 21 of chapter 4 of Act No. 3 of the Public Acts of 1895, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation of villages

within the State of Michigan and defining their powers and duties," being section 2747 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

House bill No. 305 (file No. 155), entitled

A bill to amend section 22 of chapter 8 of Act No. 3 of the Public Acts of 1895, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation of villages within the State of Michigan, and defining their powers and duties," as last amended by Act No. 39 of the Public Acts of 1899.

House bill No. 348 (file No. 156), entitled

A bill to provide for the establishment of public closets, commonly known and designated as public convenience stations, in all incorporated villages and cities of this State, and in certain unincorporated villages therein.

House bill No. 376 (file No. 157), entitled

A bill to amend section 8 of chapter 6 of Act No. 254 of the Public Acts of 1897, entitled "An act to provide for the construction and maintenance of drains, and the assessment and collection of taxes therefor, and to repeal all other laws relative thereto," being section 4361 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

House bill No. 47 (file No. 158), entitled

A bill for the improvement of a certain portion of the highway known as the "Fort Gratiot Turnpike" located in the township of Columbus in the county of St. Clair, and making appropriation therefor.

House bill No. 111 (file No. 159), entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of Act 232 of the Public Acts of 1901, entitled "An act to extend aid to the Michigan Agricultural College," as amended by Act No. 303 of the Public Acts of 1905 and Act No. 266 of the Public Acts of 1907.

House bill No. 383 (file No. 160), entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of Act No. 91 of the Public Acts of 1911, entitled "An act to provide for the assessment and the collection of a specific tax upon the class of credits founded upon and evidenced by mortgages and liens upon real property, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in contravention thereto."

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Ways and Means, by Mr. Hinkley, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 59, entitled

A bill making appropriations for the Newberry State Hospital at Newberry, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1916, for buildings and special purposes and to provide a tax to meet the same.

With a substitute therefor, entitled

A bill making appropriations for the Newberry State Hospital at Newberry, for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, for building and special purposes, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

Recommending that the substitute be concurred in and that the bill as substituted pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the proposed substitute recommended by the committee,

The substitute was adopted.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Ways and Means, by Mr. Hinkley, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 99, entitled

A bill making appropriations for building and special purposes at the Kalamazoo State Hospital for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1916, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

With a substitute therefor, having the same title.

Recommending that the substitute be concurred in and that the bill as substituted pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the proposed substitute recommended by the committee,

The substitute was adopted.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Ways and Means, by Mr. Hinkley, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 84, entitled

A bill making appropriation for the Michigan State Normal College for current expenses for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

With the following amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in and that when so amended the bill pass:

1. Amend by striking out of lines 3 and 4 and also line 5 of section 1 the words "two hundred ten" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "one hundred ninety-five."

2. Amend by striking out of each of lines 3 and 4 of section 3 the words "two hundred ten" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "one hundred ninety-five."

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the amendments to the bill recommended by the committee,

The amendments were adopted.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Ways and Means, by Mr. Hinkley, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 12, entitled

A bill making appropriations for the Michigan Employment Institution for the Blind for current expenses and for building and special purposes for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, and providing a tax therefor.

With a substitute therefor, having the same title.

Recommending that the substitute be concurred in and that the bill as substituted pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the proposed substitute recommended by the committee,

The substitute was adopted.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Revision and Amendment of the Constitution, by Mr. Ashley, Chairman, reported

House joint resolution No. 8, entitled

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to section 30, of Article V, of the Constitution, relative to right of repeal of local or special acts by the Legislature.

With the following amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in and that when so amended the joint resolution pass:

1. Amend by inserting after the word "the" in line 5 the words "Senate and."

2. Amend by striking out of line 5 after the word "Representatives" the words "(the Senate concurring)" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "of the State of Michigan."

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the amendments to the joint resolution recommended by the committee,

The amendments were adopted.

The joint resolution was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Revision and Amendment of the Constitution, by Mr. Ashley, Chairman, reported

House joint resolution No. 4, entitled

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to section 7 of Article VIII of the Constitution of Michigan, relative to the abolishing of boards of supervisors and establishing of boards of county commissioners.

With a substitute therefor, entitled

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to section 7 of Article VIII of the Constitution of Michigan, relative to the establishing of county commissioners.

Recommending that the substitute be concurred in and that the joint resolution as substituted pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the proposed substitute recommended by the committee,

The substitute was adopted.

The joint resolution was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Roads and Bridges, by Mr. Daprato, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 352, entitled

A bill to provide for the naming and numbering of public roads and highways, and the placing of signs thereon.

With a substitute therefor, entitled

A bill to provide for the naming of public roads and highways and placing of signs thereon and to provide a penalty for the violation of the provisions of this act.

Recommending that the substitute be concurred in and that the bill as substituted pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the proposed substitute recommended by the committee,

The substitute was adopted.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Fish and Fisheries, by Mr. McMillan, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 387, entitled

A bill to provide for the lawful taking and removing with seines or nets of dog fish, carp, gar-fish, or bill fish, sheepshead, suckers, mullet and redhorse from the waters of Lakes Superior, Michigan, Huron and Erie, the bays thereof and the connecting waters between said lakes within the jurisdiction of this State; and for the issuance of permits therefor by the State Game, Fish and Forestry Warden.

With the following amendment thereto, recommending that the amendment be concurred in and that when so amended the bill pass:

1. Amend by inserting in line 13 of section 2 after the word "therein" the words "Provided, That no permit shall be granted to anyone to take or remove any of the obnoxious fish above mentioned, where the taking or removing of same will in anyway injure or disturb the spawning beds of other fish."

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the amendment to the bill recommended by the committee,

The amendment was adopted.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Printing, by Mr. VanAntwerp, Chairman, reported

The written request of Mr. Wells for the printing of

House bill 297, entitled

A bill to provide for the investigation and improvement of marketing conditions and establishing the office of market director and prescribing the duties and powers thereof and making an annual appropriation therefor.

With the recommendation that the request be granted.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the recommendation of the committee,

The recommendation was concurred in, and the bill ordered printed.

Mr. Pray entered the House and took his seat.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting Senate joint resolution No. 9 (file No. 187), entitled

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to section 3, Article XVI of the Constitution of the State of Michigan, relative to the salaries of judges of courts of record.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had agreed to the joint resolution.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Revision and Amendment of the Constitution.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting Senate bill No. 150 (file No. 106), entitled

A bill to provide for the construction and improvement of highways and the assessment and collection of taxes therefor.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Roads and Bridges.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting Senate bill No. 192 (file No. 171), entitled

A bill to regulate and control the sale of goods by business houses, or individuals, on the installment plan, and to provide a penalty for violations of the same.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting Senate bill No. 85 (file No. 192), entitled

A bill to fix the leaves of absence and furloughs of certain officers and men in all cities of this State having full paid members of fire departments.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting Senate bill No. 60 (file No. 46), entitled

A bill to provide for the improvement of a certain portion of highway in the county of Jackson known as the Cooper Street road, from the city limits of the city of Jackson to the intersection thereof with Portage river, and to make an appropriation therefor.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill, and further informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had ordered the bill to take immediate effect.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Roads and Bridges.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting Senate bill No. 189 (file No. 174), entitled

A bill to provide for the registration of architects and regulating the practice of architecture as a profession.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting Senate bill No. 33 (file No. 27), entitled

A bill relative to the manner in which fire insurance companies operating in this State shall conduct their business, and providing a penalty for its violation.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Insurance.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting Senate bill No. 208 (file No. 159), entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the Michigan Farm Colony for Epileptics for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1916, to meet a deficiency in the appropriation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1915, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill, and further informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had ordered the bill to take immediate effect.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Michigan Farm Colony for Epileptics.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting Senate bill No. 141 (file No. 122), entitled

A bill to provide for a presiding circuit judge and for the manner of his selection, to prescribe his powers and duties, and to defray the expenses incident thereto.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting Senate bill No. 206 (file No. 158), entitled

A bill to provide for the preparation, transportation and care of a Michigan exhibit at the National Exhibition to be held in connection with the Half Century Anniversary of Negro Freedom, in the city of Chicago in August and September, 1915; to create a commission to manage the said exhibit; and to make an appropriation therefor.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill, and further informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had ordered the bill to take immediate effect.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting Senate bill No. 144 (file No. 102), entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the State Board of Library Commissioners for the special purposes of defraying the expenses of organization of existing and new libraries, and for the expense of library institutes and training schools, and for the general expenses of the board for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill, and further informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had ordered the bill to take immediate effect.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Library.

A message was received from the Senate informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had concurred in the amendments, also in the title as amended by the House of Representatives to

Senate bill No. 170 (file No. 120), entitled

A bill to amend sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 of Act No. 256 of the Public Acts of 1911, entitled "An act to encourage the breeding of horses, to regulate the public service of stallions, to require the registration of stallions and to provide for the enforcement thereof," and to add a new section thereto to stand as section 9, and to repeal Act No. 28 of the Public Acts of 1887, Act No. 166 of the Public Acts of 1905 and Act No. 145 of the Public Acts of 1907, and all acts amendatory thereto.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Culver introduced

House bill No. 409, entitled

A bill to amend sections 4, 36 and 37 of Act 285 of the Public Acts of 1909, as amended by Acts Nos. 220 of the Public Acts of 1911, and 39 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to provide for the creation of a Department of Labor; to prescribe its powers and duties; to regulate the employment of labor; to make an appropriation for the maintenance of such department; and to prescribe penalties for the violation of this act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Labor.

Mr. Henry introduced

House bill No. 410, entitled

A bill to prohibit the employment of certain persons for more than a certain time in any one week by any person, firm or corporation operating street railways in the State of Michigan, and to provide a penalty for the violation of any provisions of this act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Labor.

Mr. Root introduced

House bill No. 411, entitled

A bill to amend section 5 of Act No. 70 of the Public Acts of 1885,

entitled "An act to establish and regulate a mining school in the Upper Peninsula," as amended by Act 81 of the Public Acts of 1897 and Act 224 of the Public Acts of 1903, same being section 1888 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on College of Mines.

Mr. Daprato introduced

House joint resolution No. 33, entitled

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to section 10 of Article X of the Constitution, authorizing the State to issue bonds for the construction and improvement, or to aid in the improvement of the public wagon roads.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Revision and Amendment of the Constitution.

Mr. Root introduced

House joint resolution No. 34, entitled

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to section 5 of Article XI of the Constitution, relative to the Board of Regents fixing the tuition fee of non-resident students.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Revision and Amendment of the Constitution.

Mr. Wiley introduced

House bill No. 412, entitled

A bill to amend section 28 of Act No. 279 of the Public Acts of 1909, as amended by Act No. 5 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation of cities and for revising and amending their charters."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on City Corporations.

Mr. Cowan entered the House and took his seat.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

Senate bill No. 19 (file No. 19), entitled

A bill making appropriations for the Michigan Soldiers' Home for current expenses for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, and to provide a tax therefor.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Gettel	Mr. Oakley	Mr. Smith, F. A.
Anderson	Green	O'Brien	Smith, Newel
Ashley	Haviland	Olmsted	Smith, S. J.
Averill	Henry	Ormsbee	Snow
Biggerstaff	Hinkley	Penney	Sours
Chapin	Hoffman	Person	Symonds
Clark	Hopkins	Petermann	Tufts
Cowan	Hulse	Place	Van Antwerp
Croll	Jerome, Wm. F.	Pray	Ward
Culver	Keen	Quintel	Warner
Daigneau	Kemmerling	Read, Thos.	Watkins
Daprato	Kooyers	Rice	Weissert
De Boer	Leland	Robertson	Wells
Edwards	Lewis	Rogers	Whiteley
Evens	McMillan	Root	Wieland
Ewing	Martin	Ross	Wiley
Follett	Matthews	Schmidt	Wolcott
Foote	Miller	Sherman	Wright
Ford, R. L.	Moore	Shields	Speaker
Francis	Nelson		

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

Mr. Hinkley moved that the bill be ordered to take immediate effect.

The motion prevailed, two-thirds of all the members-elect voting therefor.

Senate bill No. 39 (file No. 32), entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the Michigan Soldiers' Home for building and special purposes, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1916, and for the refunding of excess pension money, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Gettel	Mr. Oakley	Mr. Shields
Anderson	Green	O'Brien	Smith, F. A.
Averill	Griggs	Olmsted	Smith, Newel
Biggerstaff	Haviland	Ormsbee	Smith, S. J.
Chapin	Henry	Penney	Snow
Clark	Hinkley	Person	Sours
Cowan	Hoffman	Petermann	Symonds
Croll	Hopkins	Place	Tufts
Culver	Hulse	Pray	Van Antwerp
Daigneau	Jerome, Wm. F.	Quintel	Ward
Daprato	Kooyers	Read, Thos.	Warner
De Boer	Lewis	Rice	Watkins
Empson	McMillan	Robertson	Wells
Evens	Martin	Rogers	Whiteley
Ewing	Matthews	Root	Wieland
Foote	Miller	Ross	Wiley
Ford, R. L.	Moore	Schmidt	Wolcott
Francis	Nelson	Sherman	Speaker

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

Mr. Watkins moved that the bill be ordered to take immediate effect.

The motion prevailed, two-thirds of all the members-elect voting therefor.

House bill No. 357 (file No. 127), entitled

A bill to amend sections 15 and 18 of Act No. 275 of the Public Acts of 1911, entitled "An act to provide for the protection of game and birds, to regulate the taking, possession, use and transportation of the same, to prohibit the sale thereof, to regulate the manner of hunting, pursuing and killing of game or birds, to provide a penalty for the violation of any of the provisions of this act, and to repeal inconsistent acts and parts of acts," as last amended by Act No. 167 of the Public Acts of 1913.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Francis	Mr. Oakley	Mr. Smith, F. A.
Anderson	Gettel	O'Brien	Smith, Newel
Ashley	Green	Olmsted	Smith, S. J.
Averill	Griggs	Ormsbee	Snow
Biggerstaff	Haviland	Penney	Sours
Chapin	Henry	Person	Symonds
Cowan	Hinkley	Petermann	Tufts
Croll	Hoffman	Place	Van Antwerp
Culver	Hopkins	Pray	Ward
Daigneau	Hulse	Quintel	Warner
Daprato	Jerome, Wm. F.	Read, Thos.	Watkins
De Boer	Kooyers	Rice	Weissert
Edwards	Leland	Robertson	Wells
Empson	Lewis	Rogers	Whiteley
Evens	McMillan	Root	Wiley
Ewing	Martin	Ross	Wolcott
Follett	Matthews	Schmidt	Wright
Foote	Miller	Sherman	Speaker
Ford, R. L.	Moore	Shields	
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Mr. Wieland

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

House bill No. 24 (file No. 10), entitled

A bill to amend sections 10, 11, 12, 13 and 16 of chapter 81 of the Revised Statutes of 1846, entitled "Fraudulent conveyances and contracts relative to personal property," being sections 9523, 9524, 9525, 9526 and 9529 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, said section 9523, being last amended by Act No. 332 of the Public Acts of 1907.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Francis	Mr. O'Brien	Mr. Smith, Newel
Anderson	Gettel	Olmsted	Smith, S. J.
Ashley	Green	Ormsbee	Sours
Averill	Griggs	Penney	Symonds
Chapin	Haviland	Person	Tufts
Clark	Hinkley	Petermann	Van Antwerp
Cowan	Hoffman	Place	Ward
Croll	Hopkins	Pray	Watkins
Daigneau	Hulse	Quintel	Weissert
Daprato	Jerome, Wm. F.	Rice	Wells
De Boer	Kooyers	Robertson	Whiteley
Edwards	McMillan	Rogers	Wiley
Empson	Martin	Root	Wolcott
Evens	Miller	Schmidt	Wright
Ewing	Moore	Shields	Speaker
Ford, R. L.			61

NAYS.

Mr. Biggerstaff	Mr. Lewis	Mr. Smith, F. A.	Mr. Warner
Follett	Nelson	Snow	Wieland
Footo	Oakley		10

The House agreed to the title of the bill.

Senate bill No. 230 (file No. 179), entitled

A bill to require all motor boats, launches, or other water craft propelled by gasoline or other internal combustion engines, operated on the inland waters of this State, to be equipped with mufflers, underwater exhausts or other suitable devices to deaden sound; and to provide penalties for violations.

Was read a third time and not passed, a majority of all the members-elect not voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Ewing	Mr. Penney	Mr. Symonds
Anderson	Ford, R. L.	Petermann	Tufts
Ashley	Francis	Place	Ward
Averill	Griggs	Pray	Warner
Biggerstaff	Haviland	Rice	Watkins
Croll	Lewis	Robertson	Weissert
Culver	Martin	Rogers	Wieland
Daprato	Miller	Schmidt	Wiley
De Boer	Moore	Sherman	Wolcott
Edwards	Nelson	Smith, F. A.	Wright
Empson	O'Brien	Snow	Speaker
Evens	Olmsted		46

NAYS.

Mr. Chapin	Mr. Hopkins	Mr. Oakley	Mr. Smith, Newel
Cowan	Hulse	Ormsbee	Smith, S. J.
Gettel	Jerome, Wm. F.	Person	Sours
Green	Kooyers	Quintel	Van Antwerp
Henry	Leland	Read, Thos.	Wells
Hinkley	McMillan	Ross	Whiteley
Hoffman	Matthews	Shields	27

Mr. Empson moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill failed to pass.

The motion prevailed.

The question being on the passage of the bill,

Mr. Ashley moved that the bill be laid on the table.

The motion prevailed.

Senate bill No. 81 (file No. 57), entitled

A bill to provide for the incorporation and regulation of companies to insure railway conductors, railway engineers and railway officials for the loss of position arising from discharge or retirement.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Ashley	Mr. Gettel	Mr. O'Brien	Mr. Smith, Newel
Averill	Green	Olmsted	Smith, S. J.
Biggerstaff	Haviland	Ormsbee	Snow
Chapin	Henry	Penney	Sours
Clark	Hinkley	Person	Symonds
Cowan	Hoffman	Petermann	Tufts
Croll	Hulse	Place	Van Antwerp
Culver	Jerome, Wm. F.	Pray	Ward
Daprato	Kooyers	Quintel	Warner
De Boer	Leland	Read, Thos.	Watkins
Edwards	Lewis	Rice	Weissert
Empson	McMillan	Robertson	Wells
Evens	Martin	Rogers	Whiteley
Ewing	Matthews	Ross	Wieland
Follett	Miller	Sherman	Wiley
Foote	Moore	Shields	Wright
Ford, R. L.	Nelson	Smith, F. A.	Speaker
Francis	Oakley		

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NAYS.

Mr. Wolcott

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Wells moved that

House bill No. 279 (file No. 184), entitled

A bill to provide for the preparation, transportation and care of a Michigan exhibit at the National Exhibition, to be held in connection with the Half Century Anniversary of Negro Freedom in the city of Chicago in August and September, 1915; to create a commission to manage the said exhibit, and to make an appropriation therefor.

Be taken from the general orders and re-referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Tufts moved that the House adjourn.
The motion did not prevail.

GENERAL ORDERS OF THE DAY.

Mr. Haviland moved that the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole on the general orders.

The motion prevailed.

The Speaker called Mr. Haviland to the chair.

After a time spent in the consideration of bills upon the general orders, the committee rose, and, through its chairman, made a report recommending the passage, without amendment, of the following entitled bills:

House bill No. 91 (file No. 151), entitled

A bill making appropriation for the purchase of land for the use of the State House of Correction and Branch Prison in the Upper Peninsula, for farming purposes, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

Senate bill No. 162 (file No. 137), entitled

A bill to amend section 7 of Act No. 77 of the Public Acts of 1869, entitled "An act in relation to life insurance companies transacting business within this State," being section 7196 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

House bill No. 210 (file No. 65), entitled

A bill to provide for a board of education for cities having a population of two hundred fifty thousand or over and comprising a single school district; to fix their terms of office, and the manner of the nomination and election of the members thereof.

Senate bill No. 124 (file No. 86), entitled

A bill to amend the title and sections 1 and 8 of Act No. 125 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of co-operative and mutual protective associations of railway conductors and engineers."

House bill No. 268 (file No. 152), entitled

A bill authorizing the board of control of the Michigan State Prison to sell and dispose of certain lands situate within the county of Jackson, and providing for the reappropriation of the proceeds thereof to purchase prison farms.

The bills were placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

The Committee of the Whole reported

Senate bill No. 32 (file No. 26), entitled

A bill to provide for an average or pro rata rider clause to be attached to the Michigan standard fire insurance policy.

Recommending the adoption of the following amendment thereto, and the passage of the bill when so amended:

1. Amend by inserting in line 4 of section 1 after the word "company" the words "an average or pro rata clause."

The question being on the adoption of the proposed amendment made by the committee,

The amendment was adopted and the bill was placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

By unanimous consent the House returned to the order of

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR.

A message was received from the Governor informing the House of Representatives that on Friday, March 26, he had approved

House bill No. 115 (file No. 32), enrolled No. 13, entitled

A bill to repeal Act No. 1 of the Session Laws of 1869, as amended, entitled "An act to designate the time and provide the manner of electing United States senators," being section 1144, 1145, and 1146 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

House bill No. 14 (file No. 22), enrolled No. 16, entitled

A bill to amend section 4 of Act No. 205 of the Public Acts of 1887, entitled "An act to revise the laws authorizing the business of banking, and to establish a banking department for the supervision of such business," being section 6093 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by Act No. 11 of the Public Acts of 1913, to enable State banks to become member banks under the federal reserve act.

By unanimous consent the House returned to the order of

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Ways and Means, by Mr. Hinkley, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 47 (file No. 158), entitled

A bill for the improvement of a certain portion of the highway known as the "Fort Gratiot Turnpike" located in the township of Columbus in the county of St. Clair, and making an appropriation therefor.

With the following amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in, but without recommendation as to the passage of the bill as amended:

1. Amend by striking out of line 2 of section 3 the word "three" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "two."

2. Amend by striking out of line 2 of section 4 the word "three" and insert in lieu thereof the word "two."

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the amendments to the bill recommended by the committee,

The amendments were adopted.

Mr. Haviland moved that the bill be referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Averill moved that the House adjourn.

The motion prevailed, the time being 10:37 o'clock a. m.

The Speaker declared the House adjourned until Monday at 8:30 o'clock p. m.

CHARLES S. PIERCE,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.

FIFTY-FIFTH DAY.

Lansing, Monday, March 29.

8:30 o'clock p. m.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

Religious exercises were conducted by Rev. Horace Cady Wilson, of the First Presbyterian Church, of Lansing.

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk, who announced that a quorum was present.

Messrs. Bosch, Nank, Clarence J. Reed, Schmidt and Sly were absent with leave.

Messrs. Culver, Empson, Sheridan Ford, Haviland, Keen, Martz, Person, Thomas Read, Sherman, Weiland and Wood were absent without leave.

Mr. Averill moved that all absentees without leave be excused from today's session.

The motion prevailed.

The Clerk announced the appointment of Warren D. Byrum, of Leslie, on March 28, as assistant bill clerk, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Harvey J. Foster.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

Mr. Shields presented

Petition No. 1033.

Petition of E. D. Bakken and 31 other citizens of Houghton county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the Upper Peninsula.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Moore presented
Petition No. 1034.

Petition of Jennie Roberts and 52 other citizens of Deerfield, Lenawee county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 214, providing for State-wide prohibition.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Wells presented
Petition No. 1035.

Petition of Mrs. F. G. Grenell and 80 other citizens of Marcellus, Cass county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 214, providing for State-wide prohibition.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Edwards presented
Petition No. 1036.

Petition of Richard A. Cote and 67 other citizens of Houghton county, requesting the passage of more stringent laws to protect and preserve wild game, providing for a hunter's license, the payment of a bounty of \$50 for killing wolves and the levying of a half of one mill tax for repurchasing available wild lands.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Rice presented
Petition No. 1037.

Petition of R. A. Thibos and 55 other citizens of Newaygo county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 214, providing for State-wide prohibition.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic.

The Speaker presented
Petition No. 1038.

Petition of Nelson McDonald and 52 other citizens of Lapeer county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 214, providing for State-wide prohibition.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic.

The Speaker presented
Petition No. 1039.

Petition of W. J. Van Kirk and 137 other citizens of Dryden township, Lapeer county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 214, providing for State-wide prohibition.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Ransom L. Ford presented
Petition No. 1040.

Petition of F. O. Hickey and 38 other citizens of Davison, Genesee county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 214, providing for State-wide prohibition.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Wells presented

Petition No. 1041.

Petition of E. P. McKenzie and 37 other citizens of Wakelee, Cass county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 214, providing for State-wide prohibition.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Leland presented

Petition No. 1042.

Petition M. J. Orr and 106 other citizens of Fennville, Allegan county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 214, providing for State-wide prohibition.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Stevens presented

Petition No. 1043.

Petition of Charles White and 35 other citizens of Gaines, Genesee county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 337, providing for and limiting the taxes to be spread and assessed against property within the limits of an incorporated village.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Anderson presented

Petition No. 1044.

Petition of C. C. Adams and 22 other citizens of Beulah, Benzie county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 65, relative to the reading of the Holy Bible in the public schools of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Anderson presented

Petition No. 1045.

Protest of Aug. Peterson and 9 other citizens of Omena, Leelanau county, against any increase in the rate of passenger fares charged by the railroads of the State.

The protest was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Anderson presented

Petition No. 1046.

Petition of Thos. C. Kroupe and 6 other citizens of Omena, Leelanau county, in favor of an increased rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Anderson presented

Petition No. 1047.

Petition of S. Morris and 27 other citizens of Honor, Benzie county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 65, relative to the reading of the Holy Bible in the public schools of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY CLERK OF PRINTING OF BILLS.

The Clerk announced that the following named bills had been printed and placed upon the files of the members Friday, March 26:

Senate bill No. 245 (file No. 218), entitled

A bill to amend sections 1, 2, 6 and 11 of Act No. 330 of the Public Acts of 1905, entitled "An act to provide for the immediate registration of births and requirement of certificates of birth," as last amended by Acts Nos. 132 and 343 of the Public Acts of 1913.

Senate bill No. 284 (file No. 219), entitled

A bill to equip boats let for hire with a life-saving device and to fix a penalty for violation of its provisions.

Senate bill No. 282 (file No. 220), entitled

A bill to regulate the sale and transportation of fish taken from the waters of Lake Superior, Lake Michigan, Lake Huron and Lake Erie and the bays and harbors connected with said lakes to markets outside the jurisdiction of this State, by a system of selling and shipping permits, and to provide for the issuance and sale of same and the disposal of the proceeds from such sale.

Senate bill No. 58 (file No. 221), entitled

A bill making appropriations for the Michigan School for the Deaf for current expenses and for building and special purposes for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

Senate bill No. 63 (file No. 222), entitled

A bill making appropriation for the Michigan State Normal College for current expenses for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

Senate bill No. 186 (file No. 223), entitled

A bill to promote the public welfare; to create a commission to be known as the agricultural fair commission; to provide for the appointment of such a commission and to fix their terms of office; to prescribe their powers and duties; and to make an appropriation to carry out the provisions of this act.

Senate bill No. 286 (file No. 224), entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of Act No. 204 of the Public Acts of the State of Michigan for the year 1881, entitled "An act relative to circuit court commissioners, their election, powers and duties," approved June 2, 1881.

Senate joint resolution No. 11 (file No. 225), entitled

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to section 1 of Article XVII of the Constitution, relative to the submission of amendments.

Senate bill No. 288 (file No. 226), entitled

A bill to authorize the Joint Penology Commission to prescribe uniform rules and to regulate the allowance and forfeiture of good time by the inmates of the penal institutions of the State.

Senate bill No. 289 (file No. 227), entitled

A bill to regulate the giving away or the permanent placing out of children in certain cases, and to provide a penalty for the violation thereof.

Senate bill No. 290 (file No. 228), entitled

A bill to amend section 6 of Act No. 184 of the Public Acts of 1905,

entitled "An act to provide for the indeterminate sentence as a punishment for crime, upon the conviction thereof, and for the detention and release of persons in prison or detained on such sentence, and for the expense attending the same."

Senate bill No. 221 (file No. 229), entitled

A bill to authorize the creation of county libraries or the contracting by the board of supervisors of any county with libraries for their free use within the county.

Senate bill No. 223 (file No. 230), entitled

A bill to amend section 70 of Act No. 84 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to increase the efficiency of the military establishment of the State of Michigan, to make an appropriation therefor, and to repeal all former acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act," as amended by Act No. 67 of the Public Acts of 1911.

Senate bill No. 242 (file No. 231), entitled

A bill to make an appropriation to defray the expenses of one of the Justices of the Supreme Court of the State of Michigan, in attending the annual conference of judges to be held for the purpose of prescribing forms and rules, and regulating pleading, procedure and practice on the common law side of the federal courts.

House bill No. 365 (file No. 161), entitled

A bill to protect the lives, health and morals of women workers; to establish a minimum wage commission therefor, and to define its powers and duties; to provide for the fixing of minimum wages for such workers, and to provide penalties for the violation of the same; for publicity; and to make an appropriation therefor.

House bill No. 131 (file No. 162), entitled

A bill to amend sections 1 and 2 of chapter 3; section 3 of chapter 4; section 1 of chapter 5; section 1 of chapter 7, and section 1 of chapter 8 of Act No. 254 of the Public Acts of 1897, as amended, entitled "An act to provide for the construction and maintenance of drains, and the assessment and collection of taxes therefor," the same being sections 4319, 4320, 4342, 4344, 4371 and 4379 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, and to add a new section to chapter 9 to stand as section 13.

House bill No. 223 (file No. 163), entitled

A bill to amend section 6 of chapter 83 of the Revised Statutes of 1846, entitled "Of marriage and the solemnization thereof," said section being compiler's section 8593 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by Act No. 247 of the Public Acts of 1899, as amended by Act No. 136 of the Public Acts of 1905, and to add three new sections, 6a, 6b and 6c.

The Clerk announced that the following named bills had been printed and placed upon the files of the members Saturday, March 27:

Senate bill No. 291 (file No. 232), entitled

A bill to provide permanent headquarters in the Capitol building for the Spanish War Veterans, Department of Michigan, to designate the purposes for which the same shall be used, and to provide for an annual report by the commander.

Senate bill No. 293 (file No. 233), entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of Act No. 65 of the Public Acts of 1900, entitled "An act to provide for the payment of tuition in and transpor-

tation to another district, of children who have completed the studies of the eighth grade in any school district, and to repeal Act No. 190 of the Public Acts of 1903, and all other acts and parts of acts in anywise contravening the provisions of this act," as amended by Act No. 14 of the Public Acts of 1911.

Senate bill No. 294 (file No. 234), entitled

A bill to amend section 14 of Act No. 190 of the Public Acts of 1891, entitled "An act to prescribe the manner of conducting and to prevent fraud and deception at elections in this State," approved July 3, 1891, as last amended by Act No. 214 of the Public Acts of 1901.

Senate bill No. 295 (file No. 235), entitled

A bill creating the office of State inspector of masonry, public buildings and works, fixing the term of said office, prescribing the qualifications and compensation of the incumbent thereof, and fixing and defining his duties.

Senate bill No. 296 (file No. 236), entitled

A bill to add two new sections to Act No. 281 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act relative to the nomination of party candidates for public office and delegates to political conventions, to regulate primary elections and to prescribe penalties for violations of its provisions, and to provide for the printing upon election ballots of the names of candidates nominated under the terms of this act, and to repeal Act No. 4 of the Public Acts of the Extra Session of the year 1907, and all local primary election acts contravening the provisions of this act, except as in this act otherwise provided," approved June 2, 1909, as last amended by Act No. 118 of the Public Acts of 1913, to stand as sections 35a and 37a, and to amend section 39 of said act to provide for preferential voting for party candidates.

House bill No. 214 (file No. 164), entitled

A bill to regulate judicial procedure in civil and criminal cases.

House bill No. 34 (file No. 165), entitled

A bill to amend section 32 of Act No. 183 of the Public Acts of 1897, entitled "An act to provide for the appointment and to fix the term of office, duties and compensation of circuit court stenographers in the State of Michigan," approved May 29, 1897, being section 394 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, relative to the compensation of circuit court stenographer in the nineteenth judicial circuit.

House bill No. 391 (file No. 166), entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of Act No. 94 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to provide for the appointment of guardians of the persons of habitual drunkards, and of persons so addicted to the excessive use of intoxicating liquors or narcotic or noxious drugs as to need medical or sanitary treatment or care, and for restraining them in a suitable asylum or hospital."

House bill No. 392 (file No. 167), entitled

A bill to amend section 5 of Act No. 6 of the Public Acts of 1907, Extra Session, as last amended by Act 363 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to define and to regulate the treatment and control of dependent, neglected and delinquent children; to prescribe the jurisdiction of the probate court and the powers, duties and compensation of the probate judge and probate register with regard thereto; to pro-

vide for the appointment of county agents, register of juvenile division and probation officers, and to prescribe their powers, duties and compensation."

House bill No. 349 (file No. 168), entitled

A bill to amend section 29 of chapter 65 of the Revised Statutes of Michigan of 1846, entitled "Of alienation by deed, and the proof and recording of conveyances, and the cancelling of mortgages," being section 8988 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

House bill No. 385 (file No. 169), entitled

A bill to prohibit the giving or receiving of any gift or gratuity in connection with any service performed in any shop, hotel, restaurant, public house or public utility, in excess of the maximum price therefor.

House bill No. 282 (file No. 170), entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of Act No. 81 of the Public Acts of 1907, entitled "An act for the protection of boarding house keepers."

The Clerk announced that the following named bills had been printed and placed upon the files of the members Monday, March 29:

Senate bill No. 195 (file No. 237), entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 4 of Act No. 254 of the Public Acts of 1897, entitled "An act to provide for the construction and maintenance of drains, and the assessment and collection of taxes therefor, and to repeal all other laws relative thereto," being compiler's section No. 4340 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by Act No. 320 of the Public Acts of 1909.

Senate bill No. 253 (file No. 238), entitled

A bill to provide for the taxation of real estate and personal property.

Senate bill No. 254 (file No. 239), entitled

A bill to prohibit the sale or giving away of intoxicating liquors, and the maintenance of saloons or other places of entertainment in which intoxicating liquors are sold within one mile from any United States rifle range in the State of Michigan.

Senate bill No. 277 (file No. 240), entitled

A bill to compel all manufacturers, wholesalers, agents of wholesalers and manufacturers, and retailers of all wearing apparel to certify as to the percentage of wool, silk, linen or cotton contained in all garments offered for sale.

Senate bill No. 278 (file No. 241), entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of Act No. 93 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act for the supplying of individual drinking utensils in certain cases by persons, firms and corporations, maintaining drinking fountain, water cooler, tank or other device for public drinking purposes; the posting of placards in certain cases and providing a penalty for a violation of the provisions of this act," approved April 21, 1913.

Senate bill No. 299 (file No. 242), entitled

A bill to amend section 39 of chapter 154 of the Revised Statutes of 1846, entitled "Of offenses against property," being section 11575 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

House bill No. 374 (file No. 171), entitled

A bill to amend section 34 of Act No. 206 of the Public Acts of 1893,

entitled "An act to provide for the assessment of property and the levy and collection of taxes thereon, and for the collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied, making such taxes a lien on the lands taxed, establishing and continuing such lien, providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes, and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the State and not redeemed or purchased; and to repeal Act No. 200 of the Public Acts of 1891, and all other acts and parts of acts in anywise contravening any of the provisions of this act," as last amended by Act No. 201 of the Public Acts of 1913, being section 3857 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

House bill No. 372 (file No. 172), entitled

A bill to amend section 148 of Act 206 of the Public Acts of 1893, entitled "An act to provide for the assessment of property and the levy and collection of taxes thereon, and for the collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied; making such taxes a lien on the lands taxed, establishing and continuing such lien, providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes, and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the State, and not redeemed or purchased; and to repeal Act No. 200 of the Public Acts of 1891, and all other acts and parts of acts in anywise contravening any of the provisions of this act," as added to said act by Act No. 154 of the Public Acts of 1899, as last amended by Act No. 153 of the Public Acts of 1913.

House bill No. 370 (file No. 173), entitled

A bill to require examiners and appraisers of property employed by the Board of State Tax Commissioners, to take and file the constitutional oath of office.

House bill No. 361 (file No. 174), entitled

A bill to repeal Act No. 87 of the Public Acts of 1907, entitled "An act to prohibit the spearing of fish in any of the public streams or rivers in certain townships of Van Buren county," upon approval by referendum of the electors of said townships.

House bill No. 359 (file No. 175), entitled

A bill to amend section 4 of Act 172 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act authorizing the acceptance by the State of a certain tract of land in Crawford county on certain conditions, providing for its control and management when so accepted, and making an appropriation for the purpose of making improvements thereon," approved May 2, 1913, and to further amend said act by adding thereto a new section to stand as section 4-a.

House bill No. 33 (file No. 177), entitled

A bill to amend section 9 of Act No. 207 of the Public Acts of 1889, entitled "An act to prohibit the manufacture, sale, keeping for sale, giving away or furnishing of vinous, malt, brewed, fermented, spirituous or intoxicating liquors, or any mixed liquor or beverage, any part of which is intoxicating, and to prohibit the keeping of any saloon or other place for the manufacture, sale, storing for sale, giving away or furnishing of such liquors or beverages, and to suspend the general laws of the State relative to the taxation and regulation of the manufacture and sale of such liquors in the several counties of this State under certain circumstances; to authorize the qualified electors of the several counties in this State to express their will in regard to such prohibition by an

election, and to authorize and empower the board of supervisors of the several counties after such election, if they shall determine the result to be in favor of such prohibition, to prohibit the manufacture, sale, keeping for sale, giving away or furnishing of any such liquors, or the keeping of a saloon or any other place for the manufacture, sale, storing for sale, giving away or furnishing of the same within their respective counties; and to provide for penalties and rights of action in case of its violation," as last amended by Act No. 183 of the Public Acts of 1899, being section 5420 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, relative to the period of time in which the question of local option under the act may be re-submitted.

House bill No. 364 (file No. 178), entitled

A bill to amend the title and sections 1 and 2 of Act No. 31 of the Public Acts of 1887, entitled "An act to prohibit the maintenance of saloons or other places of entertainment in which intoxicating liquors are sold, and to prohibit the sale or giving away of intoxicating liquors within one mile of the Soldiers' Home," being sections 5443 and 5444 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

House bill No. 319 (file No. 179), entitled

A bill to provide for the payment of salaries to the sheriff, under-sheriff, county clerk, county treasurer, register of deeds and prosecuting attorney, or any of said officers in the several counties of this State; to provide for the collection of fees and the payment thereof by said officers into the county treasury; and to prescribe penalties for the violation of this act, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in contravention thereto.

House bill No. 256 (file No. 180), entitled

A bill to amend sections 8 and 10 of Act 271 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to create the Michigan Historical Commission; to provide for the appointment of members of such commission; to fix their terms of office, prescribe their powers and duties, make an appropriation to carry out the provisions of this act, and repeal all acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith."

House bill No. 39 (file No. 181), entitled

A bill making appropriations for the Traverse City State Hospital, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1916, for building and special purposes, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

House bill No. 333. (file No. 182), entitled

A bill making appropriations for the State Board of Fish Commissioners for current expenses and for building and special purposes for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

House bill No. 135 (file No. 183), entitled

A bill to amend Act No. 7 of the Public Acts, Second Special Session of 1912, entitled "An act to provide for the erection of armories and making an appropriation therefor," by adding a new section thereto to stand as section 4.

House bill No. 279 (file No. 184), entitled

A bill to provide for the preparation, transportation and care of a Michigan exhibit at the National Exposition to be held in connection

with the Half Century Anniversary of Negro Freedom in the city of Chicago in August and September, 1915; to create a commission to manage the said exhibit, and to make an appropriation therefor.

House bill No. 381 (file No. 185), entitled

A bill making an additional appropriation for the department of the Attorney General for the fiscal year ending June 30th, 1916, and the fiscal year ending June 30th, 1917.

House bill No. 97 (file No. 186), entitled

A bill to provide for an additional appropriation from the general fund in the State treasury for the purpose of carrying into effect the terms of Act No. 165 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to provide for the compilation and publication of a general alphabetical index of the publication 'A Record of Michigan Soldiers and Sailors in the War of the Rebellion, 1861 to 1865,' and for the distribution of such index and the distribution of the remaining volumes of said publication now on hand, in library sets, to public libraries for the convenient reference of the public, to make an appropriation therefor, and to provide a tax to meet the same," to provide the manner of payment thereof and to provide a tax to meet said appropriation.

House bill No. 322 (file No. 187), entitled

A bill to provide for the transfer to the enlarging hospital fund of a certain unexpended appropriation for the Industrial Home for Girls.

House bill No. 184 (file No. 188), entitled

A bill to amend section 9 of part 2 of Act No. 10 of the Public Acts of the Extra Session of 1912, entitled "An act to promote the welfare of the people of this State relating to the liability of employers for injuries or death sustained by their employes, providing compensation for the accidental injury to, or death of employes and methods for the payment of the same, establishing an Industrial Accident Board, defining its powers, providing for a review of its awards, making an appropriation to carry out the provisions of this act, and restricting the right to compensation or damages in such cases to such as are provided by this act."

House bill No. 354 (file No. 189), entitled

A bill to amend sections 9, 10 and 11 of Act No. 285 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to provide for the creation of a Department of Labor, to prescribe its powers and duties; to regulate the employment of labor; to make an appropriation for the maintenance of such department, and to prescribe penalties for the violation of this act," as last amended by Act No. 220 of the Public Acts of 1911.

House bill No. 321 (file No. 190), entitled

A bill to amend sections 1 and 2 of Act No. 301 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to provide for the licensing, bonding and regulation of private employment agencies, the limiting of the amount of the fee charged by such agencies, the refunding of such fees in certain cases, the imposing of obligations on persons, firms or corporations which have induced workmen to travel in the hope of securing employment, charging the Commissioner of Labor with the enforcement of this act, and empowering him to make rules and regulations, and fixing penalties for the violation hereof."

House bill No. 378 (file No. 191), entitled

A bill to amend section 7 of Act No. 206 of the Public Acts of 1893, entitled "An act to provide for the assessment of property and the levy and collection of taxes thereon, and for the collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied; making such taxes a lien on the lands taxed; establishing and continuing such lien, providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes, and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the State and not redeemed or purchased; and to repeal Act No. 200 of the Public Acts of 1891, and all other acts or parts of acts in anywise contravening any of the provisions of this act," being section 7 of chapter 98 and compiler's section 3830 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by Act No. 309 of the Public Acts of 1909, and as last amended by Act No. 174 of the Public Acts of 1911.

House bill No. 367 (file No. 192), entitled

A bill relative to the cost of bonds to be provided by township officers.

House bill No. 276 (file No. 193), entitled

A bill to amend section 102 of chapter 14 of the Revised Statutes of 1846, relative to county surveyors, as amended by Act No. 140 of the Public Acts of 1869, being compiler's section 2624 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

House bill No. 300 (file No. 194), entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of Act No. 280 of the Public Acts of 1907, entitled "An act to regulate the sampling and testing of milk and cream and the use of the Babcock test and to make the violation of any provisions thereof a misdemeanor."

House bill No. 166 (file No. 195), entitled

A bill to provide for pasteurizing the by-products of cheese factories, creameries, skimming stations and other places where milk is received and distributed.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM STATE OFFICERS.

The following communication from the Auditor General was received and read:

Auditor General's Office,
Lansing, Michigan, March 29, 1915.

Hon. Charles W. Smith, Speaker, House of Representatives:

Dear Sir:—Complying with House resolution No. 44, I submit the following:

In the event of House bill No. 302 (file 91), becoming a law, it may be assumed that it will be deemed advisable and necessary to supply the same officials with copies of the compilation of the laws to whom the Compiled Laws of 1897 were furnished in accordance with Act 26 of 1897, Act 44 of 1899, as amended by Act 240 of 1911, which provides for the distribution of the Public Acts of each session of the Legislature.

Section 7 of Act 26 of 1897 provides that the Compiled Laws shall be distributed in the same manner in which the Public Acts are distributed. Also see report of the Attorney General of 1900, page 152.

It will require more than nine thousand sets of the Compiled Laws to supply the officials entitled to receive them in accordance with Act 44 of 1899, and about two thousand additional sets to supply the commissions, boards, libraries and individuals mentioned in the act.

Should House bill No. 302 become a law, it will naturally follow that public policy will demand that the Legislature should equip the officials of the State with copies of the compilation of the laws mentioned in the bill for the reason that they are used as evidence by the courts with the result that the expense to the State will be the cost of a set of the books multiplied by the number of sets distributed to the several officials.

Respectfully,

O. B. FULLER,
Auditor General.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

A message was received from the Senate informing the House of Representatives that in accordance with Senate concurrent resolution No. 13, the President had appointed as members of the committee on the part of the Senate, the following Senators: Alton T. Roberts, James A. Murtha, John A. Damon, Edgar A. Planck and Fred L. Woodworth.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Lewis introduced

House bill No. 413, entitled

A bill to provide for the filing of conditional sale contracts, promisory notes and other writings in which the title to personal property, excepting household goods and wearing apparel only, is reserved.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Nelson introduced

House bill No. 414, entitled

A bill to amend section 9 of Act No. 6 of the Public Acts of the Extra Session of 1907, entitled "An act to define, and to regulate the treatment and control of dependent, neglected and delinquent children; to prescribe the jurisdiction of the probate courts and the powers, duties and compensation of the probate judges with regard thereto; to provide for the appointment of county agents and probation officers and to prescribe their powers, duties and compensation."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Flowers introduced

House bill No. 415, entitled

A bill to amend the title and section 1 of Act No. 376 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to provide that the order of the probate court of any county in this State, made on the final settlement of an estate by any probate court of the State wherein it shall be determined

who are or were the heirs at law of the person deceased, whose estate shall have been probated in such probate court, shall be prima facie evidence of the fact decreed, determining who are the heirs at law of such deceased person; and providing that a certified copy of such order may be recorded in the office of the register of deeds in any county of the State wherein such deceased person owned real estate at the time of his death, and that such original order of the probate court, or a certified copy thereof and the record of such certified copy in the register of deed's office, or a certified copy of such record, may be used as evidence in the courts of this State whenever the question of such heirship is involved or may become material."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Whiteley introduced

House bill No. 416, entitled

A bill to amend sections 2, 5, 8 and 12 of Act 249 of the Public Acts of 1903, as amended by Act 317, Public Acts of 1907, entitled "An act to provide for the preservation of forests of this State and for the prevention and suppression of forest and prairie fires.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Public Lands and Forestry Interests.

Mr. O'Brien introduced

House bill No. 417, entitled

A bill to amend sections 2, 3 and 4 of chapter 11 of Act No. 3 of the Public Acts of 1895, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation of villages within the State of Michigan, and defining their powers and duties," being compiler's sections 2891, 2892 and 2893 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Village Corporations.

Mr. Koehler introduced

House bill No. 418, entitled

A bill to regulate the selling of steamship or railroad tickets or orders for transportation to and from foreign countries, and the receipt of deposits of money for the purpose of transmitting the same or equivalent thereof to foreign countries.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Olmsted introduced

House bill No. 419, entitled

A bill to prohibit the playing of golf in this State on the seventh day of the week "commonly called Sunday."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. McMillan introduced

House bill No. 420, entitled

A bill to provide for a tax upon dogs, and to create a fund for the payment of certain damages for sheep killed or wounded by them in cer-

tain cases, and to repeal Act No. 48 of the Public Acts of 1901, as amended by Act No. 43 of the Public Acts of 1907, Act No. 331 of the Public Acts of 1907, and Act No. 141 of the Public Acts of 1911, and to repeal all other acts or parts of acts contravening the provisions of this act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 91 (file No. 151), entitled

A bill making appropriation for the purchase of land for the use of the State House of Correction and Branch Prison in the Upper Peninsula, for farming purposes, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Green	Mr. Moore	Mr. Smith, S. J.	
Anderson	Griggs	Nelson	Snow	
Ashley	Henry	Oakley	Sours	
Averill	Hinkley	O'Brien	Stevenson	
Chapin	Hoffman	Olmsted	Sutton	
Clark	Hopkins	Ormsbee	Symonds	
Cowan	Hulse	Palmer	Tufts	
Croll	Jerome, Jas. D.	Penney	Van Antwerp	
Daigneau	Jerome, Wm. F.	Petermann	Vine	
Daprato	Jones	Place	Ward	
De Boer	Kemmerling	Pray	Warner	
Edwards	Koehler	Quintel	Watkins	
Evens	Kooyers	Rice	Wells	
Flowers	Lamphere	Robertson	Whiteley	
Follett	Leland	Rogers	Wiley	
Foote	Lewis	Root	Wolcott	
Ford, R. L.	McMillan	Ross	Woodruff	
Francis	Martin	Shields	Wright	
Gayde	Matthews	Smith, F. A.	Speaker	
Gettel	Miller	Smith, Newel		79

NAYS.

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

Mr. Ewing moved that the bill be ordered to take immediate effect.

The motion prevailed, two-thirds of all the members-elect voting therefor.

House bill No. 82 (file No. 111), entitled

A bill to amend section 1 and section 9 of Act No. 294 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to provide for the licensing and regulating of the business of transient merchants; to prevent the fraudulent sale of goods by such transient merchants; to provide a lien on the goods of such transient merchants for the license fees prescribed, and to provide penalties for the violation thereof."

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Ford, R. L.	Mr. Oakley	Mr. Sutton
Anderson	Francis	O'Brien	Symonds
Ashley	Gayde	Olmsted	Tufts
Averill	Gettel	Ormsbee	Van Antwerp
Biggerstaff	Henry	Penney	Vine
Chapin	Hopkins	Petermann	Ward
Cowan	Hulse	Place	Warner
Croll	Jerome, Jas. D.	Pray	Watkins
Daigneau	Jones	Quintel	Weissert
Daprato	Koehler	Rice	Whiteley
De Boer	Kooyers	Robertson	Wiley
Edwards	Lamphere	Rogers	Wolcott
Ewing	Lewis	Ross	Woodruff
Flowers	Martin	Smith, Newel	Wright
Follett	Miller	Sours	Speaker
Foote	Moore	Stevenson	

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NAYS.

Mr. Green	Mr. Leland	Mr. Root	Mr. Smith, S. J.
Hinkley	McMillan	Shields	Snow
Hoffman	Matthews	Smith, F. A.	Wells
Jerome, Wm. F.			

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

Senate bill No. 32 (file No. 26), entitled

A bill to provide for an average or pro rata rider clause to be attached to the Michigan standard fire insurance policy.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Francis	Mr. Nelson	Mr. Snow
Anderson	Gayde	Oakley	Sours
Ashley	Gettel	O'Brien	Stevenson
Averill	Green	Olmsted	Sutton
Biggerstaff	Griggs.	Ormsbee	Symonds
Chapin	Henry	Penney	Tufts
Clark	Hoffman	Petermann	Van Antwerp
Cowan	Hulse	Place	Vine
Croll	Jerome, Jas. D.	Pray	Ward
Daigneau	Jerome, Wm. F.	Quintel	Warner
Daprato	Jones	Rice	Watkins
De Boer	Koehler	Robertson	Weissert
Edwards	Kooyers	Rogers	Wells
Evens	Lewis	Ross	Whiteley
Flowers	McMillan	Shields	Wiley
Follett	Martin	Smith, F. A.	Wolcott
Foote	Miller	Smith, Newel	Wright
Ford, R. L.	Moore	Smith, S. J.	Speaker

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NAYS.

Mr. Woodruff

1

The House agreed to the title of the bill.

Mr. Person entered the House and took his seat.

Senate bill No. 162 (file No. 137), entitled
A bill to amend section 7 of Act No. 77 of the Public Acts of 1869, entitled "An act in relation to life insurance companies transacting business within this State," being section 7196 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Gayde	Mr. Moore	Mr. Smith, S. J.
Anderson	Gettel	Oakley	Snow
Ashley	Green	O'Brien	Sours
Averill	Griggs	Olmsted	Stevenson
Biggerstaff	Henry	Ormsbee	Sutton
Chapin	Hinkley	Palmer	Symonds
Clark	Hoffman	Penney	Tufts
Cowan	Hopkins	Person	Vine
Croll	Hulse	Petermann	Ward
Daigneau	Jerome, Jas. D.	Place	Warner
Daprato	Jerome, Wm. F.	Pray	Watkins
De Boer	Jones	Quintel	Weissert
Edwards	Koehler	Rice	Wells
Evens	Kooyers	Robertson	Whiteley
Ewing	Lamphere	Rogers	Wiley
Flowers	Leland	Root	Wolcott
Follett	Lewis	Ross	Woodruff
Foote	Martin	Shields	Wright
Ford, R. L.	Matthews	Smith, F. A.	Speaker
Francis	Miller		

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NAYS.

Mr. McMillan Mr. Smith, Newel

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

Senate bill No. 124 (file No. 86), entitled
A bill to amend the title and sections 1 and 8 of Act No. 125 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of co-operative and mutual protective associations of railway conductors and engineers," approved May 26, 1909.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Gayde	Mr. Moore	Mr. Smith, S. J.
Anderson	Gettel	Nelson	Snow
Ashley	Green	O'Brien	Sours
Averill	Griggs	Olmsted	Stevenson
Biggerstaff	Henry	Ormsbee	Sutton
Chapin	Hinkley	Palmer	Symonds
Clark	Hoffman	Penney	Tufts
Cowan	Hopkins	Person	Vine
Croll	Hulse	Petermann	Ward
Daigneau	Jerome, Wm. F.	Place	Warner
Daprato	Kemmerling	Pray	Watkins
De Boer	Koehler	Quintel	Weissert
Edwards	Kooyers	Rice	Wells
Evens	Lamphere	Robertson	Whiteley
Ewing	Leland	Rogers	Wiley
Flowers	Lewis	Root	Wolcott
Follett	McMillan	Ross	Woodruff
Foote	Martin	Shields	Wright
Ford, R. L.	Matthews	Smith, F. A.	Speaker
Francis	Miller	Smith, Newel	79

NAYS.

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

House bill No. 268 (file No. 152), entitled

A bill authorizing the Board of Control of the Michigan State Prison to sell and dispose of certain lands situate within the county of Jackson and providing for the re-appropriation of the proceeds thereof to purchase prison farms.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Gayde	Mr. Moore	Mr. Snow
Anderson	Gettel	Nelson	Sours
Ashley	Green	O'Brien	Stevenson
Averill	Griggs	Olmsted	Sutton
Biggerstaff	Henry	Ormsbee	Symonds
Chapin	Hinkley	Palmer	Tufts
Clark	Hoffman	Penney	Van Antwerp
Cowan	Hopkins	Person	Vine
Croll	Hulse	Petermann	Ward
Daigneau	Jerome, Jas. D.	Place	Warner
Daprato	Jerome, W. F.	Pray	Watkins
De Boer	Kemmerling	Quintel	Weissert
Edwards	Koehler	Rice	Wells
Evens	Kooyers	Robertson	Whiteley
Ewing	Lamphere	Rogers	Wiley
Flowers	Lewis	Root	Wolcott
Follett	McMillan	Ross	Woodruff
Foote	Martin	Shields	Wright
Ford, R. L.	Matthews	Smith, F. A.	Speaker
Francis	Miller	Smith, S. J.	79

NAYS.

Mr. Jones

Mr. Oakley

Mr. Smith, Newel

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

House bill No. 341 (file No. 140), entitled

A bill to amend section 97 of chapter 90 of title 21 of the Revised Statutes of 1846 of the State of Michigan, being compiler's section No. 502 of the Compiled Laws of the State of Michigan of 1897, relating to the powers of courts of chancery to stay proceedings at law.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Gettel	Mr. Moore	Mr. Smith, S. J.
Anderson	Green	Nelson	Snow
Ashley	Griggs	Oakley	Sours
Averill	Henry	O'Brien	Stevenson
Biggerstaff	Hinkley	Olmsted	Sutton
Chapin	Hoffman	Ormsbee	Symonds
Clark	Hopkins	Penney	Tufts
Cowan	Hulse	Person	Van Antwerp
Croll	Jerome, Jas. D.	Petermann	Vine
Daigneau	Jerome, W. F.	Place	Ward
Daprato	Jones	Pray	Warner
De Boer	Kemmerling	Quintel	Watkins
Edwards	Koehler	Rice	Weissert
Evens	Kooyers	Robertson	Wells
Ewing	Lamphere	Rogers	Whiteley
Flowers	Lewis	Root	Wiley
Follett	McMillan	Ross	Wolcott
Foote	Martin	Shields	Woodruff
Ford, R. L.	Matthews	Smith, F. A.	Wright
Francis	Miller	Smith, Newel	Speaker
Gayde			

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NAYS.

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

House bill No. 363 (file No. 141), entitled

A bill to amend section 6 of chapter 28 of Act No. 183 of the Public Acts of 1897, approved May 29, 1897, being an act entitled "An act to provide for the appointment and to fix the term of office, duties and compensation of circuit court stenographers in the State of Michigan," being compiler's section 368 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Ashley	Mr. Hoffman	Mr. Olmsted	Mr. Snow
Averill	Hopkins	Ormsbee	Sours
Biggerstaff	Hulse	Palmer	Stevenson
Clark	Jerome, Jas. D.	Penney	Symonds
Cowan	Jerome, W. F.	Person	Tufts
Croll	Jones	Petermann	Vine
Daigneau	Kooyers	Place	Ward
Daprato	Lamphere	Pray	Warner

Mr. Edwards	Mr. Lewis	Mr. Quintel	Mr. Watkins
Ewing	McMillan	Rice	Weissert
Flowers	Martin	Robertson	Whiteley
Foote	Matthews	Rogers	Wiley
Ford, R. L.	Miller	Ross	Wolcott
Francis	Moore	Shields	Woodruff
Gayde	Nelson	Smith, F. A.	Wright
Green	Oakley	Smith, Newel	Speaker
Henry	O'Brien		

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NAYS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. De Boer	Mr. Griggs	Mr. Smith, S. J.
Anderson	Evens	Leland	Van Antwerp
Chapin	Gettel	Root	Wells

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

House bill No. 272 (file No. 142), entitled

A bill to amend section 16 of chapter 163 of the Revised Statutes of Michigan of 1846, entitled "Of the arrest and examination of offenders, commitment for trial and taking bail," being compiler's section 11853 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Francis	Mr. Oakley	Mr. Sours
Anderson	Gayde	O'Brien	Stevenson
Ashley	Griggs	Ormsbee	Sutton
Averill	Henry	Palmer	Symonds
Biggerstaff	Jerome, Jas. D.	Penney	Tufts
Chapin	Jones	Person	Vine
Clark	Kemmerling	Rice	Warner
Croll	Koehler	Robertson	Watkins
Daigneau	Kooyers	Rogers	Weissert
Daprato	Lamphere	Root	Wiley
De Boer	Lewis	Smith, F. A.	Wolcott
Edwards	McMillan	Smith, Newel	Woodruff
Evens	Martin	Smith, S. J.	Wright
Ewing	Miller	Snow	Speaker
Flowers	Moore		

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NAYS.

Mr. Cowan	Mr. Hoffman	Mr. Matthews	Mr. Shields
Follett	Hopkins	Nelson	Van Antwerp
Foote	Hulse	Olmsted	Ward
Ford, R. L.	Jerome, Wm. F.	Petermann	Wells
Gettel	Leland	Quintel	Whiteley
Green			

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

House bill No. 344 (file No. 144), entitled

A bill to amend section 5 of Act No. 326 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to provide for the leasing, control and taxation of cer-

tain lands owned and controlled by this State and the improvements thereon; providing penalties for the violation of certain provisions thereof, and repealing Act No. 215 of the Public Acts of 1909, and all other acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith," and to add to said act four new sections to stand as sections 27, 28, 29 and 30.

Was read a third time and, the question being on its passage,

Mr. Daigneau moved to amend the bill

By striking out of line 2 of section 27 the words "Huron and Erie."

By inserting in line 2 of section 27, after the word "Superior" the word "and."

By striking out of line 7 of section 27, the words "five hundred feet" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "one mile."

By inserting in line 40 of section 27, after the words "St. Clair" the words "Huron and Erie."

By striking out of line 40 of section 27, the word "Lake" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "Lakes."

The motion prevailed and the amendment was adopted, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor.

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Francis	Mr. Miller	Mr. Smith, S. J.
Anderson	Gettel.	Moore	Snow
Ashley	Green	O'Brien	Sours
Averill	Griggs	Olmsted	Stevenson
Biggerstaff	Henry	Ormsbee	Sutton
Chapin	Hinkley	Palmer	Symonds
Clark	Hoffman	Penney	Tufts
Cowan	Hopkins	Person	Vine
Croll	Hulse	Petermann	Ward
Daigneau	Jerome, Jas. D.	Place	Warner
Daprato	Jerome, W. F.	Quintel	Watkins
De Boer	Kemmerling	Rice	Weissert
Edwards	Kooyers	Robertson	Wells
Evens	Lamphere	Rogers	Whiteley
Ewing	Leland	Root	Wiley
Flowers	Lewis	Ross	Wolcott
Follett	McMillan	Shields	Woodruff
Foote	Martin	Smith, F. A.	Wright
Ford, R. L.	Matthews	Smith, Newel	Speaker

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NAYS.

Mr. Jones

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

House bill No. 275 (file No. 145), entitled

A bill to provide a method for the election of county superintendents of the poor in counties so desiring to elect such officials.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Griggs	Mr. Olmsted	Mr. Smith, S. J.
Ashley	Henry	Palmer	Sours
Averill	Hinkley	Penney	Stevenson
Chapin	Hopkins	Person	Symonds
Cowan	Hulse	Place	Tufts
Croll	Jerome, W. F.	Quintel	Vine
Daigneau	Jones	Rice	Ward
Daprato	Koehler	Rogers	Warner
De Boer	Kooyers	Root	Watkins
Flowers	Leland	Ross	Weissert
Ford, R. L.	Lewis	Shields	Wells
Francis	Miller	Smith, F. A.	Wolcott
Gayde	Moore	Smith, Newel	Wright
Green	Oakley		

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NAYS.

Mr. Anderson	Mr. Foote	Mr. Ormsbee	Mr. Van Antwerp
Biggerstaff	Gettel	Petermann	Whiteley
Clark	Lamphere	Robertson	Wiley
Edwards	Matthews	Snow	Woodruff
Evans	Nelson	Sutton	Speaker
Follett	O'Brien		

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Pending the announcement of the vote upon the bill,
 Mr. O'Brien demanded the vote of Mr. Anderson.
 Mr. Anderson voted nay and was so recorded.
 Mr. Cowan demanded the vote of Mr. Nelson.
 Mr. Nelson voted nay and was so recorded.
 The House agreed to the title of the bill.

Senate bill No. 72 (file No. 167), entitled

A bill to amend the title and sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 7 of Act 244 of the Public Acts of the State of Michigan for the year 1907, entitled "An act to protect the title and to regulate the practice of veterinary medicine and surgery in all its various branches in the State of Michigan; providing for a State Veterinary Board and prescribing its duties; regulating existing practitioners; governing undergraduates and reciprocity with the other states and provinces; prescribing penalties for its violation and repealing all inconsistent acts," and to add a new section thereto to stand as section 15 of said act.

Was read a third time and, the question being on its passage,

Mr. Clark moved to amend the bill

By inserting in line 7 of section 4 after the word "act" the words "Provided, That any person who has practised veterinary medicine or surgery in its various branches in this State for a period of five years prior to the passage of this act shall be eligible to become registered as an existing practitioner and entitled to secure a certificate of registration from the State board as such."

The motion did not prevail and the amendment was not adopted, a majority of all the members-elect not voting therefor.

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Gettel	Mr. Palmer	Mr. Sours
Anderson	Green	Penney	Stevenson
Ashley	Griggs	Person	Symonds
Averill	Henry	Petermann	Tufts
Biggerstaff	Hopkins	Place	Vine
Chapin	Hulse	Pray	Ward
Daigneau	Jerome, W. F.	Rice	Watkins
Daprato	Koehler	Robertson	Weissert
De Boer	Lewis	Rogers	Wells
Evens	Matthews	Ross	Whiteley
Flowers	Miller	Shields	Wiley
Follett	Moore	Smith, F. A.	Woodruff
Foots	Oakley	Smith, Newel	Wright
Ford, R. L.	O'Brien	Smith, S. J.	Speaker
Gayde	Ormsbee	Snow	

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NAYS.

Mr. Clark	Mr. Hinkley	Mr. McMillan	Mr. Sutton
Cowan	Hoffman	Nelson	Van Antwerp
Croll	Kemmerling	Olmsted	Warner
Edwards	Lamphere	Quintel	Wolcott
Ewing	Leland	Root	

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

By unanimous consent the House returned to the order of

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

A message was received from the Senate returning
House bill No. 36 (file No. 116), entitled

A bill to make an appropriation for the Michigan State Prison at Jackson, Michigan, for general repairs and special purposes for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1916, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill, and further informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had ordered the bill to take immediate effect.

The bill was referred to the Clerk for enrollment printing and presentation to the Governor.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Daprato moved that

Senate bill No. 55 (file No. 165), entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of Act No. 334 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to provide for the establishment, survey, improvement and maintenance of State reward trunk line highways, to provide for the payment of double State reward thereon, to define the duties of State, county, good roads district and township officers in regard thereto, and

to appropriate funds to carry out the provisions thereof," approved May 13, 1913.

Now on the order of general orders, be re-referred to the Committee on Roads and Bridges.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Oakley moved that

House bill No. 223 (file No. 163), entitled

A bill to amend section 6 of chapter 83 of the Revised Statutes of 1846, entitled "Of marriage and the solemnization thereof," said section being compiler's section 8593 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by Act No. 247 of the Public Acts of 1899, as amended by Act No. 136 of the Public Acts of 1905, and to add three new sections, 6a, 6b and 6c.

Now on the order of general orders, be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. Symonds made written request for the printing of

Senate bill No. 64 (file No. 47), entitled

A bill to provide for a retirement fund for teachers in certain cases.

As amended, for use of the members of the House.

The request was referred to the Committee on Printing.

Mr. Root moved that when the House adjourns today it stand adjourned until tomorrow at 10:00 o'clock a. m.

Mr. Hinkley moved to strike out the figures "10:00 a. m." and insert in lieu thereof the figures "1:30 p. m."

The amendment was adopted.

The motion as amended then prevailed.

GENERAL ORDERS OF THE DAY.

Mr. Stevenson moved that the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole on the general orders.

The motion prevailed.

The Speaker called Mr. Stevenson to the chair.

After a time spent in the consideration of bills upon the general orders, the committee rose, and, through its chairman, made a report recommending the passage, without amendment, of the following entitled bills:

House bill No. 256 (file No. 180), entitled

A bill to amend sections 8 and 10 of Act 271 of Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to create the Michigan Historical Commission; to provide for the appointment of members of such commission; to fix their terms of office, prescribe their powers and duties, make an appropriation to carry out the provisions of this act, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith."

FIFTY-SIXTH DAY.

Lansing, Tuesday, March 30.

1:30 o'clock p. m.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

Religious exercises were conducted by Rev. C. B. Koch, of the German Methodist Episcopal Church, of Lansing.

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk, who announced that a quorum was present.

Mr. Sly was absent with leave.

Messrs. Martz, Penney, Thomas Read and Sherman were absent without leave.

Mr. Whiteley moved that all absentees without leave be excused from today's session.

The motion prevailed.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

Mr. Henry presented

Petition No. 1048.

Petition of A. E. Clark and 356 other citizens of Calhoun county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 214, providing for State-wide prohibition.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Vine presented

Petition No. 1049.

Protest of C. M. Hess and 42 other citizens of Lenawee county, against the passage of any law imposing burdensome conditions or high license for selling domestic and stock remedies, spices, extracts, etc., by retail from wagons.

The protest was referred to the Committee on Public Health.

Mr. Vine presented

Petition No. 1050.

Resolutions adopted by North Rome Grange No. 735 of Lenawee county, requesting the passage of the following bills: House bill No. 142, known as the "Torrens bill"; House bill No. 77, prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors within a radius of five miles of any of the State institutions of higher education; House bill No. 75, for the guarantee of bank deposits, and House bill No. 171, relative to rural telephones.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Snow presented

Petition No. 1051.

Petition of Lester Zimmerman and 130 other citizens of Kalamazoo county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 214, providing for State-wide prohibition.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Newel Smith presented

Petition No. 1052.

Petition of Viola Banested and 89 other citizens of Wheeler, Gratiot county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 214, providing for State-wide prohibition.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Oakley presented

Petition No. 1053.

Resolutions adopted by the Bay City Board of Commerce of Bay City, Bay county, in favor of increasing the rate of passenger fares on the railroads of the State to 2½ cents per mile.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Lewis presented

Petition No. 1054.

Petition of Rev. V. B. Cleveland and 41 other citizens of VanBuren county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 19, relative to providing for the examination, regulation, licensing and registration of chiropractors.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Public Health.

Mr. Miller presented

Petition No. 1055.

Petition of Rev. E. M. Nielson and 23 other citizens of Montcalm county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 65, relative to the reading of the Holy Bible in the public schools of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Miller presented

Petition No. 1056.

Petition of A. N. Shook and 51 other citizens of Montcalm county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 214, providing for State-wide prohibition.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Miller presented
Petition No. 1057.

Petition of Edwin Newmann and 15 other citizens of Crystal, Montcalm county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 65, relative to the reading of the Holy Bible in the public schools of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Wells presented
Petition No. 1058.

Petition of Jay R. Perkins and 46 other citizens of Corey, Cass county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 171, relative to rural telephones.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. William F. Jerome presented
Petition No. 1059.

Protest of Henry Towler and 35 other citizens of Hillsdale county, against the passage of Senate bill No. 64, relative to a retirement fund for teachers.

The protest was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Moore presented
Petition No. 1060.

Resolutions adopted by North Rome Grange No. 735 of Lenawee county, requesting the passage of the following bills: House bill No. 142, known as the "Torrens bill"; House bill No. 77, prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors within a radius of five miles of any of the State institutions of higher education; House bill No. 75, for the guarantee of bank deposits, and House bill No. 171, relative to rural telephones; also protesting against the passage of Senate bill No. 64, relative to a retirement fund for teachers.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY CLERK OF PRINTING OF BILLS.

The Clerk announced that the following named bills had been printed and placed upon the files of the members Tuesday, March 30:

Senate bill No. 90 (file No. 243), entitled

A bill to amend sections 1, 21, 23, 32 and 48 of Act No. 190 of the Public Acts of 1891, approved July 3, 1891, entitled "An act to prescribe the manner of conducting and to prevent fraud and deceptions at elections in this State," such amended sections being sections 3612, 3631, 3633, 3642 and 3657 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by Act No. 214, Public Acts of 1901; Act No. 189, Public Acts of 1907; Act No. 192, Public Acts of 1909; Acts Nos. 60 and 158, Public Acts of 1911; Act No. 8, Public Acts of 1912; and Acts Nos. 54, 218 and 375, Public Acts of 1913, and to add four new sections to stand as section 49, section 50, section 51 and section 52 of said act.

Senate bill No. 302 (file No. 244), entitled

A bill to amend section 9 of Act No. 198 of the Laws of 1873, entitled "An act to revise the laws providing for the incorporation of the railroad, bridge and tunnel companies and to regulate the running and man-

agement and to fix the duties and liabilities of all railroad, bridge, tunnel and other corporations owning or operating any railroad, bridge or tunnel within this State," as amended, said section being compiler's section 6234 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

The Clerk announced the enrollment printing and the presentation to the Governor, on March 30, for his approval, of the following named bills:

House bill No. 187 (file No. 86), enrolled No. 20, entitled

A bill to amend section 3 of chapter 16 of the Revised Statutes of 1846, entitled "Of the powers and duties of townships and election and duties of township officers," the same being compiler's section 2269 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by Act No. 62 of the Public Acts of 1909.

House bill No. 36 (file No. 116), enrolled No. 21, entitled

A bill to make an appropriation for the Michigan State Prison at Jackson, Michigan, for general repairs and special purposes for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1916, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Printing, by Mr. VanAntwerp, Chairman, reported

The written request of Mr. Symonds for the printing of

Senate bill No. 64 (file No. 47), entitled

A bill to provide for a retirement fund for teachers in certain cases, (as amended).

With the recommendation that the request be granted.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the recommendation of the committee,

The recommendation was concurred in, and the bill ordered printed.

The Committee on Public Health, by Mr. Newel Smith, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 395, entitled

A bill to amend section 14 of Act No. 193 of the Public Acts of 1895, entitled "An act to prohibit and prevent adulteration, fraud and deception in the manufacture and sale of articles of food and drink," the same being section 5023 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

With the following amendment thereto, recommending that the amendment be concurred in and that when so amended the bill pass:

1. Amend by striking out of line 7 of section 14 after the word "packs" the word "or" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "and."

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the amendment to the bill recommended by the committee,

The amendment was adopted.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Michigan School for the Deaf, by Mr. Wolcott, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 351, entitled

A bill to provide for a deficiency appropriation for the Michigan School for the Deaf.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The Committee on Michigan School for the Deaf, by Mr. Wolcott, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 172, entitled

A bill making appropriations for the Michigan School for the Deaf for current expenses and for the building and special purposes for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The Committee on Roads and Bridges, by Mr. Daprato, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 379, entitled

A bill to amend chapter 13 of Act 283 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to revise, consolidate and add to the laws relating to the establishment, opening, improvement, maintenance and use of the public highways and private roads, the condemnation of property and gravel therefor; the building, repairing and preservation of bridges; setting and protecting shade trees, drainage, cutting weeds and brush within this State, and providing for the election and defining the powers, duties and compensation of State, county, township and district highway officials," by adding thereto a new section to be known as section 16, relative to public wharves, docks and landings at the foot or end of public highways or navigable waters.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM STATE OFFICERS.

The following communication from the Attorney General was received and read:

Attorney General's Department,

Lansing, March 29, 1915.

Hon. Charles S. Pierce, Clerk, House of Representatives, Lansing, Michigan.

Dear Sir:—I am in receipt of your communication of the 25th instant transmitting a copy of a resolution adopted by the House of Representatives on March 23rd, as follows:

"Whereas, It has been freely stated that the passage of House bill No. 302 (file No. 91), will entail a large cost to the State; therefore be it

Resolved, That the Attorney General be requested to furnish this House with an opinion as to whether the passage of said bill will entail such cost."

In compliance with the request contained in the said resolution, the House is respectfully advised as follows:

House bill No. 302, above referred to, reads as follows:

"A bill to authorize the general laws of this State, entitled 'Howell's Annotated Statutes of the State of Michigan, Second Edition,' to be received and used in evidence.

The people of the State of Michigan enact:

Section 1. That the general laws of the State of Michigan collected and arranged in six volumes, entitled 'Howell's Annotated Statutes of the State of Michigan, Second Edition,' by Colin P. Campbell, and based upon the compilation and annotation of Andrew Howell shall be received and admitted in all courts and proceedings, and by all officers in this State as evidence of the existing laws thereof with the like effect as if published under and by authority of the State."

Although your resolution does not state the reason for the supposition that the passage of the said bill will entail a large cost upon the State, I assume from the discussions that observations have been made to the effect that if the bill passes, the State will be required to purchase many thousands of volumes of the compilation in order to supply the various officials, both State and local, who were and are entitled to free copies of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

The purpose of House bill No. 302 as stated in the title is to authorize the use of the so-called Howell's Annotated Statutes to be received and used in evidence. On the face of the bill and under any clear construction of its provisions nothing further can be implied than that the general laws of the State as set forth in this compilation should be received by the courts and by officials as evidence of the enactments of the Legislature with the like effect as if published under and by authority of the State. This means simply that if in any proceeding it becomes necessary to prove any existing law, reference may be made to the particular law as set forth in the compilation under consideration, in the same manner as proof is now made by reference to the so-called Miller's Compilation of 1897. It does not mean on the contrary that the courts may not receive other and better evidence of the text of any statute, as for instance, by reference to the Session Laws as published and certified by the Secretary of State or by reference to the legislative records themselves.

As to the possible effect that if this bill is passed the State will be required to furnish free to the many officials who are entitled to copies of the Compiled Laws of 1897, or other laws and documents printed by authority, I am of the opinion that such could not be the effect.

The publication and distribution of the Compiled Laws of 1897 is governed solely by Act 26 of the Public Acts of 1897, entitled "An act to provide for the completion, printing, binding, distribution and sale of the Compiled Laws of 1897." This act both by its title and by its several provisions relates solely to the compilation authorized and known as "The Compiled Laws of 1897." This act authorizes the free distribution of the said compilation in the following manner:

"Sec. 7. An edition of twenty thousand copies of said compilation shall be printed and bound by the State printer and binder and shall be delivered to the Secretary of State for distribution. They shall be distributed in the same manner as the Public Acts are distributed; and, in addition to the persons entitled to copies under such distribution, one copy each shall be delivered to the Senators and Representatives of the Legislature of 1895 who are not members of the present Legislature and one copy each to the compiler and the two commissioners."

It will be noted that reference is made in the above section to the manner in which the Public Acts are distributed. At the time Act 26 of the Public Acts of 1897 went into effect, the law governing the distribution of the Public Acts was Act 122 of the Public Acts of 1889 and is found in sections 1541 to 1558, Compiled Laws of 1897. This act was superseded by Act 44 of the Public Acts of 1899, which has been amended from time to time by various acts of the Legislature. An examination of Act 44 of the Public Acts of 1899, and other acts amendatory thereof, discloses the fact that no reference is made therein to the distribution of the Compiled Laws. This act prescribes the laws, documents and reports that are to be printed and distributed and the various officials and others who are entitled to receive copies of the same. There is no provision of this act which by any means could be construed as authorizing a distribution of the Compiled Laws of 1897 or any other general compilation. Inasmuch as the persons and officials who are entitled to the free distribution of the Compiled Laws of 1897 are governed solely by Act 26 of the Public Acts of 1897, and so far as I am aware after a careful examination, there is no other law applicable, it necessarily follows there would be no authority for a free distribution of the compilation referred to in House bill No. 302, referred to in your resolution.

Before such a free distribution could be made it would be necessary for the State to purchase copies to be distributed and this purchase could only be made by an act authorizing the same which would carry a sufficient appropriation for that purpose. Section 16 of Article 10 of the Constitution provides:

"No money shall be paid out of the State treasury except in pursuance of appropriations made by law."

The only possible cost to the State which would be entailed by the passage of this bill would arise in the following manner. Requisitions are occasionally made by State officers, such as the several departments, boards and commissions, for books and publications not printed by the

State, in the same manner as other office supplies are requisitioned. The number of State officers and departments who are entitled to make requisition upon the State Board of Auditors in this manner is very limited, and of course, does not include circuit courts, probate courts, county, city, school or township officers. The expense incident to filling such requisitions would, therefore, be a small item and doubtless has very little relation to the question at issue. An estimate of the expense to be incurred in this manner could possibly be furnished by the State Board of Auditors, if desired.

Very respectfully,

GRANT FELLOWS,
Attorney General.

The following communication from the Attorney General was received and read:

Attorney General's Department,
Lansing, March 29, 1915.

Hon. Charles S. Pierce, Clerk, House of Representatives, Capitol:

Dear Sir:—I wish to acknowledge receipt of copy of House resolution No. 41, requesting that I give to the House of Representatives my views with respect to the interpretation and constitutionality of House bill No. 77. The measure in question is entitled "An act to prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquors within five miles of the boundary line or lines of the main campus of the University of Michigan, The Michigan Agricultural College, The State Normal College, The Central Michigan Normal School, The Northern State Normal School, The Western State Normal School or the Michigan College of Mines." The provisions of section 1 declare it to be unlawful "to keep for sale, sell, distribute, give away, or take an order or make an agreement for the sale or delivery of any intoxicating liquor within five miles of the boundary line or lines of the main campus" of any of the institutions named in the title. It will be noted that the body of the measure is much broader and more comprehensive than is the title. In other words, while the title refers only to the sale of intoxicating liquors, section 1 of the bill is so worded as to include, in addition to the actual sale, the keeping for sale, distribution, giving away, taking an order, or making an agreement for the sale or delivery.

Section 21 of Article V, of the present State Constitution requires that "no law shall embrace more than one object which shall be expressed in its title." In conformity with this constitutional provision, the title of any legislative enactment must be sufficiently broad and definite as to fairly indicate to the public as well as to the legislative body, the scope and general purpose thereof. Stated somewhat differently the act may not be broader than the title.

In the comparatively recent case of Vernor vs. Secretary of State, 179 Mich. 157, the Supreme Court referring to the constitutional provision with reference to the title of any law, said:

"What is the constitutional test? We think it is that a title must embrace the object of the act, and the body of the act must not be inconsistent with the title. The pertinent questions should be: Does the title of the act fairly indicate the purpose of the

legislation? Is the title a fair index of the act? Does the title of the act fairly inform the legislators and the public of its purposes, as a whole?"

Applying this test to House bill No. 77, I believe that the conclusion can not be avoided that the title as drawn is insufficient to fairly apprise the public generally of the provisions of the body of the bill with reference to acts there prohibited other than the actual sale of intoxicating liquors. Certainly it can not be said that this title is a fair index to all of the provisions that are contained in the measure. In view of the constitutional requirement and the decisions of the Supreme Court of this State construing the same, it is my opinion that the bill must be considered defective for the reason suggested and that, if it were enacted in its present form it would be held invalid.

My attention is also challenged to the fact that the particular localities that must be affected by the measure, if enacted, are specifically designated in the title and also in section 1 of the bill. The purpose sought to be attained is of course the suppression of the liquor traffic within the designated distance from the various educational institutions named. It is established beyond question that it is competent for the Legislature to regulate the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquor and to prohibit the same throughout the entire State or in certain classes of localities where conditions are deemed to be different than existing elsewhere. It is likewise settled that in the enactment of any such measure pursuant to the general police power of the State, the Legislature may classify the persons or objects upon which the measure is to operate. Such right of classification is, however, always subject to the limitation that it must be reasonable and not arbitrary or fanciful. By way of illustration, attention may be called to the provisions of the present general liquor law with respect to the establishment of saloons in residence districts and within specified distances of school houses or churches. However, when the Legislature sees fit to exercise its power and to make a classification of this kind the measure must be applicable to all of the members of the class or classes so established. If limited in its scope to a portion only of the members of the class, the act becomes special and is in consequence subject to constitutional provisions and requirements governing special legislation generally. The general rule in this respect is laid down in Sutherland on Statutory Construction, section 129, as follows:

"If a statute is plainly intended for a particular case, and looks to no broader application in the future, it is special or local and, if such laws are prohibited on the subject to which it relates, is unconstitutional."

In accordance with this general principle, as declared by Sutherland, it has been held repeatedly that any law that embraces only part of a given class, and the objects upon which it operates are specifically designated, is special legislation; and that it may not be regarded as a general law unless it embraces all of the given class and is not specific in application. Thus, in the case of Guthrie Daily Leader vs. Cameron, 41 Pac. 635, it was held that an act of the Territory of Oklahoma referring in terms to a certain printing company was repugnant to an act

of Congress prohibiting the passage of local or special laws in the territories of the United States. Another decision that would seem to be squarely in point, is that of *Bullock vs. Robinson*, 93 N. E. 998. The statute here involved applied only to cities in which certain designated conditions existed in the year 1908. The act was so drawn as to prevent other cities from subsequently entering into class affected even though the same identical conditions might be brought about therein. The Constitution of the State prohibited local and special laws in certain cases and the Supreme Court of Indiana held accordingly that the statute was special and repugnant to the Constitution on that ground. Inasmuch as the same question is presented by House bill No. 77, I wish to quote from the opinion of the Indiana Supreme Court, as follows:

"It is altogether possible that there may, in the future, be cities in Indiana, having a population of one hundred thousand that had no existence in 1908, and as to such cities the act as an entirety could not apply because of the lack of taxables for 1908. It is very probable that in the future there will be cities attaining the one hundred thousand class whose taxables, as shown by the tax duplicate of 1908, are small in comparison with those of Indianapolis in 1908, and yet the needs of such supposed city for further improvement in instruction in drawing and in manual and industrial training might be greater than those of Indianapolis. Consequently the legislation can not operate equally upon all within the class, and the reason for the partial or total exclusion of some cities from the class does not inhere in the subject-matter."

Applying the general rule as laid down by text writers and by the courts to the measure under consideration we are confronted with this fact: This bill as drawn designates specifically, by reference to certain educational institutions of the State the particular localities to which it shall apply. Within its scope and protection are the University, The Agricultural College, The College of Mines and the four Normal Colleges of the State. If enacted the measure could not apply in any other locality in its present form. If a new Normal School should be created by a legislative enactment, or if some other institution of higher learning were to be established, the protection evidently designated by this Act could not be invoked therefor. Instead of being general in its terms so as to apply to all localities that are now or may hereafter be members of a general class to which reference is obviously intended, it is limited absolutely to the seven localities named.

I do not wish to be understood as suggesting that the Legislature of this State may not provide for the suppression of the liquor traffic within a reasonable distance of all State institutions of higher learning. Rather, the proposition that I wish to emphasize is that such legislation must be in general form so that all institutions of higher learning, similarly situated, shall be subject to the law. Where it is sought to designate particularly the institutions or localities that shall make up the class, the objection must always arise that the class of localities or institutions is hereby closed so that no locality or institution in which identically the same conditions might subsequently arise would be within its scope and protection. Such a measure may therefore, and in all probability

would be, in actual operation, limited to a portion only of the general class of such localities. It is therefore within the definition of special legislation.

The distinction between a general and a special law of this character is indicated in the case of *Ex parte Burke*, 116 Pac. 755, where the Supreme Court of the state of California had under consideration a statute prohibiting the sale, giving away or offering for sale of intoxicating liquors within a specified distance of any University having an enrollment exceeding a certain number. The act was upheld as general legislation because, being worded in general terms it might and would apply to all institutions and localities where the conditions sought to be reached and remedied existed at the time the act became operative as well as the institutions and localities that might subsequently be brought within the scope of the act. So, in *People vs. Kaelber*, 253, Ill. 552, the Supreme Court of Illinois upheld an act prohibiting the sale of liquor within a certain distance of land "owned or maintained by the State of Illinois as a Soldiers and Sailors Home." That is, the law instead of specifically designating the Soldiers home or homes affected thereby, was generally worded so that subsequent homes that might be established would be entitled to the protection sought to be afforded by the act. Much stress was laid upon this fact by the court, it being declared that "a law is general, not because it embraces all of the governed, but because it may embrace all when they are similarly situated and come within its provisions." The distinction between the acts upheld in these two cases, and the measure under consideration is obvious. The California and Illinois statutes referred to were general in terms and applied to all localities within the scope of the act at the time of the passage thereof, and also to others in which the same conditions might exist subsequently. House bill No. 77, because the localities in which it shall operate are designated and its application elsewhere at any time wholly prevented, must, in my opinion, be deemed open to the objection that it is special in character.

In accordance with this view I believe that if enacted the measure would be held invalid as repugnant to section 30 of Article V, of the State Constitution, which provides that "the Legislature shall pass no local or special act in any case where a general act can be made applicable * * *." The case is clearly one in which a general law, that is, a law applicable to all localities in the State of the character in question, can be made to apply. Such being the case a local or special act can not be passed, under the letter of the Constitution, even though submitted to a vote of the electors in the district or districts affected thereby and ratified by such electors. It is my opinion herefore, in accordance with these suggestions, that the measure would, if enacted, be held to be repugnant to the Constitution on the ground: First,—That the title does not sufficiently indicate the purpose and provisions of the bill; and, Second,—That in its present form it must be classed as special legislation and within the inhibition declared in section 30 of Article V, of the State Constitution.

Respectfully yours,

GRANT FELLOWS,
Attorney General.

entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation of lodges of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks," being compiler's section 8081 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by Act No. 33 of the Public Acts of 1905, and Act No. 18 of the Public Acts of 1911.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Flowers introduced

House bill No. 422, entitled

A bill to provide for the completion, printing, binding, distribution and sale of the Compiled Laws of 1915, and making an appropriation therefor.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Green introduced

House bill No. 423, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of Act No. 117 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to provide for the organization of township school districts in the State of Michigan," as amended by Act No. 143 of the Public Acts of 1911, and to repeal all acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Penney introduced

House bill No. 424, entitled

A bill to amend section 8 of Act No. 213 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to regulate the taking of fish in the waters of Lakes Superior, Michigan, Huron and Erie, the bays thereof and the connecting waters between said lakes within the jurisdiction of this State, and to regulate the transportation, sale and possession of fish taken from said waters," as last amended by Act No. 97 of the Public Acts of 1913.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Fish and Fisheries.

Mr. Rogers introduced

House bill No. 425, entitled

A bill relative to dividing city school districts into election precincts, to provide for the registration of voters, and for the holding of elections therein.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Elections.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 210 (file No. 176), entitled

A bill to provide for a board of education for cities having a population of two hundred fifty thousand or over and comprising a single school district; to fix their terms of office, and the manner of the nomination and election of the members thereof.

Was read a third time and, the question being on its passage,
Mr. Culver moved to amend the bill

1. By striking out of line 5 of section 2 the words "not more than three wards, which shall be contiguous in" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "contiguous."

2. By inserting in line 3 of section 3 after the word "city" the words "Provided, That there shall be no reference in said ballot to the various districts wherein said candidates have been nominated."

The motion prevailed and the amendment was adopted, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor.

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Gayde	Mr. Nank	Mr. Smith, S. J.
Anderson	Gettel	Nelson	Snow
Ashley	Green	Oakley	Sours
Averill	Griggs	O'Brien	Stevens
Biggerstaff	Haviland	Olmsted	Sutton
Bosch	Henry	Ormsbee	Symonds
Chapin	Hinkley	Palmer	Tufts
Clark	Hopkins	Penney	Van Antwerp
Cowan	Hulse	Petermann	Vine
Croll	Jerome, J. D.	Place	Ward
Culver	Jerome, W. F.	Pray	Warner
Daigneau	Jones	Quintel	Watkins
Daprato	Kemmerling	Reed, C. J.	Weissert
De Boer	Koehler	Rice	Wells
Edwards	Kooyers	Robertson	Whiteley
Ewing	Lamphere	Rogers	Wiley
Flowers	Leland	Root	Wolcott
Follett	Lewis	Ross	Wood
Foote	Martin	Schmidt	Woodruff
Ford, R. L.	Matthews	Shields	Wright
Ford, Sheridan	Miller	Smith, F. A.	Speaker
Francis	Moore		

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

House bill No. 334 (file No. 143), entitled

A bill to amend sections 6 and 12 of Act 135 of the Public Acts of 1911, entitled "An act to encourage private forestry, the care and management thereof, and to provide for the exemption from taxation of such private forest reserve."

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

NAYS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Ford, R. L.	Mr. McMillan	Mr. Ross
Anderson	Gayde	Martin	Shields
Biggerstaff	Gettel	Matthews	Smith, S. J.
Clark	Green	Miller	Snow
Cowan	Griggs	Moore	Sours
Croll	Henry	Nank	Sutton
Culver	Hinkley	Nelson	Vine
Daigneau	Hoffman	Palmer	Ward
Daprato	Hopkins	Petermann	Warner
Edwards	Keen	Place	Wells
Empson	Kemmerling	Pray	Wolcott
Evens	Lamphere	Robertson	Woodruff
Ewing	Leland	Rogers	Wright
Follett	Lewis	Root	Speaker
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By unanimous consent

Mr. Nelson introduced

House joint resolution No. 35, entitled

Joint resolution proposing an amendment to section 13 of Article 5 of the Constitution, to provide for quadrennial sessions of the Legislature.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Revision and Amendment of the Constitution.

By unanimous consent the House returned to the order of

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on State Affairs, by Mr. James D. Jerome, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 325 (file No. 148), entitled

A bill to provide for the appointment of a Dairy and Food Commissioner by the State Board of Agriculture, to prescribe the powers and duties and fix the salary of such Dairy and Food Commissioner, his deputy, clerks, assistants and inspectors, providing an appropriation therefor and a tax to meet the same, and to repeal sections 1, 2 and 3 of Act No. 211 of the Public Acts of 1893, as amended, and all other acts and parts of acts contravening the provisions of this act.

With the following amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in and that when so amended the bill pass:

1. Amend by striking out of line 9 of section 4, page 5, the words "examination, analysis" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "investigational, analytical."

2. Amend by striking out of line 7 of section 4, page 5, the words "examination, analysis" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "investigational, analytical."

3. Amend by inserting in line 12 of section 4, page 5, after the word "agriculture" the words "and all fees specified in the laws, with the enforcement of which the said Dairy and Food Commissioner is charged, shall be paid to the said State Board of Agriculture and may be used to defray the expense involved in said investigational, analytical and experimental work, including the services of chemists and assistants, and other expenses connected with the office of the Dairy and Food Commissioner."

4. Amend by adding a new section to stand as section 7 to read as follows: "Sec. 7. The Dairy and Food Commissioner shall make an annual report to the State Board of Agriculture, which shall be published in the annual report of the secretary of the State Board of Agriculture, and shall include a complete account of all moneys received by the department from every source, and the amount expended by the department."

5. Amend by re-numbering present section 7 to stand as section 8.

The question being on the adoption of the amendments to the bill recommended by the committee,

The amendments were adopted.

The bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The Committee on Education, by Mr. Symonds, Chairman, reported House bill No. 402, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of Act No. 11 of the Public Acts of the State of Michigan for the year 1911, entitled "An act designating the days to be observed as holidays in the public schools of this State."

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Public Lands and Forestry Interests, by Mr. Whiteley, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 416, entitled

A bill to amend sections 2, 5, 8 and 12 of Act 249 of the Public Acts of 1903, as amended by Act 317, Public Acts of 1907, entitled "An act to provide for the preservation of forests of this State and for the prevention and suppression of forest and prairie fires."

With the following amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in and that when so amended the bill pass:

1. Amend by adding to section 2 the following: "It shall be the duty of such deputy game, fish and forestry wardens to familiarize themselves by personal investigation with the locality and the condition of the cut-over lands, prairie lands and other districts in their respective counties where fires are most likely to start and spread, and to take such precautions as they shall deem reasonable and proper to prevent the starting or spreading of fires in such districts, and in doing so, may enter upon lands and remove or destroy brush, rubbish and other dangerous combustible material, wherever necessary.

It shall be the duty of such deputy game, fish and forestry warden to caution all sportsmen, settlers and others of the danger of fires in the woods, to extinguish all fires left burning by any one, if within their

power; and to give notice to any and all parties interested, when possible, of fires raging and beyond their control, to the end that the same may be controlled and extinguished. In case of fire, such deputy game, fish and forestry wardens shall have the power to employ assistance in emergencies to extinguish or control fires, to the same extent and in the same manner as fire wardens of townships in which fires are raging, and shall also have the power to call upon the fire wardens hereinbefore provided for in each of the townships affected by such fire for all such assistance as such township fire wardens shall be entitled to employ under the provisions of this act. It shall be the duty of said deputy game, fish and forestry wardens, whenever possible, to go to the place of fire, take personal charge of and direct all efforts to extinguish and control the same. Said deputy game, fish and forestry warden shall have general charge of township fire wardens in his district, and shall have authority to mass such fire warden force as may be available, at any special point in his district, to suppress fires.

2. Amend by inserting in line 3 of section 5 after the word "use" the word "such."

3. Amend by inserting in line 28 of section 12 after the word "dollars" the words "In default of the payment of such fine and costs of prosecution, shall be committed to the county jail for a period not exceeding ninety days."

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the amendments to the bill recommended by the committee,

The amendments were adopted.

The bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The Committee on Religious and Benevolent Societies, by Mr. Wood, Chairman, reported

Senate bill No. 216 (file No. 190), entitled

A bill to amend section 3 of Act 22 of the Public Acts of 1891, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation of lodges of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks," being compiler's section 8081 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as last amended by Act 18 of the Public Acts of 1911.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Schmidt moved that when the House adjourns Thursday it stand adjourned until Friday at 9:00 o'clock a. m.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Stevens offered the following concurrent resolution:

House concurrent resolution No. 17.

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That when the Legislature adjourns on Friday, April 2, it stand adjourned until Tuesday, April 6.

The Speaker announced that under Rule 50 the resolution would lie over one day.

Mr. Stevens moved that rule 50 be suspended.

The motion prevailed, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

The resolution was adopted.

Mr. Hulse moved that

House bill No. 228 (file No. 154), entitled

A bill to amend section 21 of chapter 4 of Act No. 3 of the Public Acts of 1895, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation of villages within the State of Michigan and defining their powers and duties," being section 2747 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

Be taken from the general orders and laid on the table.

The motion prevailed.

Messrs. Martz, Sherman and Thomas Read entered the House and took their seats.

GENERAL ORDERS OF THE DAY.

Mr. Watkins moved that the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole on the general orders.

The motion prevailed.

The Speaker called Mr. Watkins to the chair.

After a time spent in the consideration of bills upon the general orders, the committee rose, and, through its chairman, made a report recommending the passage, without amendment, of the following entitled bills:

House bill No. 47 (file No. 158), entitled

A bill for the improvement of a certain portion of the highway known as the "Fort Gratiot Turnpike" located in the township of Columbus in the county of St. Clair, and making appropriation therefor.

House bill No. 70 (file No. 39), entitled

A bill to provide for the organization, operation and supervision of fire insurance rate making bureaus; to provide for a review of any rates fixed by any such bureau for fire insurance upon property in this State; to prohibit discrimination in such rates, and to regulate all agreements between fire insurance companies or their agents affecting such rates.

House bill No. 358 (file No. 150), entitled

A bill to provide for an angler's license to take or catch or attempt to take or catch fish with a hook and line in the lakes and streams within the jurisdiction of the State of Michigan, to provide that non-resident licensees may take from the State a day's legal catch, to provide for the sale and issuing of licenses, to provide a penalty for the violation of

any of the provisions of this act, and to authorize and regulate the disbursement of fees collected thereunder, and to repeal Act 329 of the Public Acts of 1913.

House bill No. 377 (file No. 153), entitled

A bill to amend section 7 of chapter 3 of Act No. 283 of the Public Acts of 1909 as amended, entitled "An act to revise, consolidate and add to the laws relating to the establishment, opening, improvement, maintenance and use of the public highways and private roads, the condemnation of property and gravel therefor; the building, repairing and preservation of bridges; setting and protecting shade trees; drainage; cutting weeds and brush within this State, and providing for the election and defining the powers, duties and compensation of State, county, township and district highway officials."

House bill No. 305 (file No. 155), entitled

A bill to amend section 22 of chapter 8 of Act No. 3 of the Public Acts of 1895, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation of villages within the State of Michigan, and defining their powers and duties," as last amended by Act No. 39 of the Public Acts of 1899.

House bill No. 376 (file No. 157), entitled

A bill to amend section 8 of chapter 6 of Act No. 254 of the Public Acts of 1897, entitled "An act to provide for the construction and maintenance of drains, and the assessment and collection of taxes therefor, and to repeal all other laws relative thereto," being section 4361 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

The bills were placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

The Committee of the Whole reported

House bill No. 348 (file No. 156), entitled

A bill to provide for the establishment of public closets, commonly known and designated as public convenience stations, in all incorporated villages and cities of this State, and in certain unincorporated villages therein.

Recommending the adoption of the following amendments thereto, and the passage of the bill when so amended:

1. Amend by striking out of line 2 of section 1 after the word "State" the words "and of the board of trustees of any incorporated village."
2. Amend by striking out of line 3 of section 1 after the word "such" the words "village or."
3. Amend by striking out of line 7 of section 1 after the word "each" the words "village or."
4. Amend by striking out of line 10 of section 1 after the word "city" the words "or village."
5. Amend by striking out all of section 2.

The question being on the adoption of the proposed amendments made by the committee,

The amendments were adopted and the bill was placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

The Committee of the Whole reported

House bill No. 214 (file No. 164), entitled

A bill to regulate judicial procedure in civil and criminal cases.

Recommending the adoption of the following amendments thereto, and the passage of the bill when so amended:

1. Amend by inserting in line 2 of section 1 after the words "in any" the word "case."

2. Amend by striking out of line 2 of section 1 the word "case."

3. Amend by inserting in line 2 of section 1 after the word "court" the words "of this State."

4. Amend by striking out of line 7 of section 1 the word "the" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "a."

5. Amend by inserting in line 2 of section 1 after the word "granted" a comma, also in line 5 after the word "procedure" a comma, also in line 5 after the word "court" a comma, also in line 6 after the word "cause" a comma.

The question being on the adoption of the proposed amendments made by the committee,

The amendments were adopted and the bill was placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

Mr. Oakley moved that the House adjourn.

The motion prevailed, the time being 4:58 o'clock p. m.

The Speaker declared the House adjourned until tomorrow at 2:00 o'clock p. m.

CHARLES S. PIERCE,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.

FIFTY-SEVENTH DAY.

Lansing, Wednesday, March 31.

2:00 o'clock p. m.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

Religious exercises were conducted by Rev. M. L. Fox, of the Central Methodist Episcopal Church, of Lansing.

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk, who announced that a quorum was present.

Mr. Sly was absent with leave.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

Mr. Evens presented
Petition No. 1061.

Petition of W. A. Lewis and 36 other citizens of Saginaw county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 214, providing for State-wide prohibition.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Evens presented
Petition No. 1062.

Petition of T. E. Sinclair and 76 other citizens of Climax, Kalamazoo county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 214, providing for State-wide prohibition.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Evens presented
Petition No. 1063.

Petition of James A. McNabb and 71 other citizens of Detroit, Wayne county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 214, providing for State-wide prohibition.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Oakley presented

Petition No. 1064.

Protest of Robt. Mattison and 103 other citizens of Bay county, against the passage of House bill No. 384, relative to the taking of fish in the waters of Lakes Superior, Michigan, Huron and Erie, and the connecting waters between said lakes.

The protest was referred to the Committee on Fish and Fisheries.

Mr. Ormsbee presented

Petition No. 1065.

Protest of P. Cashin and 703 other citizens of Genesee county, against the passage of any law imposing burdensome conditions or high license for selling domestic and stock remedies, spices, extracts, etc., by retail from wagons.

The protest was referred to the Committee on Public Health.

Mr. Ransom L. Ford presented

Petition No. 1066.

Petition of Rev. J. B. Coss and 86 other citizens of Swartz Creek, Genesee county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 214, providing for State-wide prohibition.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Matthews presented

Petition No. 1067.

Petition of L. E. Peck and 195 other citizens of Buchanan, Berrien county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 214, providing for State-wide prohibition.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Wood presented

Petition No. 1068.

Petition of Mrs. Anna Smith and 52 other citizens of Rives, Jackson county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 214, providing for State-wide prohibition.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Quintel presented

Petition No. 1069.

Petition of Frank A. Gause and 69 other citizens of Bay City, Bay county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 64, relative to a retirement fund for teachers.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Tufts presented

Petition No. 1070.

Petition of E. M. Comstock and 65 other citizens of Custer, Mason county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 337, providing for and limiting the taxes to be spread and assessed against property within the limits of an incorporated village.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Henry presented

Petition No. 1071.

Petition of James A. Woodward and 139 other citizens of Calhoun county, requesting the amending of the deer hunting law so as to permit the killing of one deer during any one year, which must be a deer with horns. Also prohibiting the killing or taking of any fawn deer.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Symonds presented

Petition No. 1072.

Protest of T. Trosdahl and 86 other citizens of Menominee county, against the passage of any law imposing burdensome conditions or high license for selling domestic and stock remedies, spices, extracts, etc., by retail from wagons.

The protest was referred to the Committee on Public Health.

Mr. Clark presented

Petition No. 1073.

Petition of Rev. R. E. Meader and 124 other citizens of Coldwater, Branch county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 214, providing for State-wide prohibition.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Thomas Read presented

Petition No. 1074.

Resolutions adopted by the Oceana County Farmers' Institute of Oceana county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 142, commonly known as the "Torrens bill," providing for the simplifying of the transfer of real estate.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Stevens presented

Petition No. 1075.

Petition of V. Brown and 21 other citizens of Bay City, Bay county, requesting the passage of a bill prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors within a radius of five miles of certain educational institutions of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Stevens presented

Petition No. 1076.

Petition of W. J. Cain and 82 other citizens of Marlette, Sanilac county, requesting the passage of a bill prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors within a radius of five miles of certain educational institutions of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Stevens presented

Petition No. 1077.

Petition of F. S. Gryonj and 22 other citizens of South Haven, Van Buren county, requesting the passage of a bill prohibiting the sale of

intoxicating liquors within a radius of five miles of certain educational institutions of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Stevens presented
Petition No. 1078.

Petition of John G. Galiff and 18 other citizens of Grand Rapids, Kent county, requesting the passage of a bill prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors within a radius of five miles of certain educational institutions of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Penney presented
Petition No. 1079.

Petition of E. W. Sperry and 298 other citizens of Saginaw, Saginaw county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 64, relative to a retirement fund for teachers.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Penney presented
Petition No. 1080.

Petition endorsed by Alice M. Eastwood and 31 other members of Saginaw Reading Club, of Saginaw, Saginaw county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 64, relative to a retirement fund for teachers.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Penney presented
Petition No. 1081.

Petition of Mrs. O. C. Tracy and 8 other members of Utile Dulci Club of Saginaw, Saginaw county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 64, relative to a retirement fund for teachers.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Ross presented
Petition No. 1082.

Petition endorsed by Mrs. Henry Sweet and 53 other members of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Howell, Livingston county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 214, providing for State-wide prohibition.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Ross presented
Petition No. 1083.

Petition of Ella Pratt and 48 other citizens of Cohoctah, Livingston county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 214, providing for State-wide prohibition.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Shields presented
Petition No. 1084.

Petition of Arthur Benson and 166 other citizens of Houghton county,

requesting the passage of House bill No. 354, relative to providing for the creation of a Department of Labor.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Labor.

Mr. Foote presented

Petition No. 1085.

Petition of L. B. Rogers and 21 other citizens of Lowell, Kent county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 214, providing for State-wide prohibition.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Wolcott presented

Petition No. 1086.

Petition of W. H. Barney and 27 other citizens of Albion, Calhoun county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 91 (file No. 64), relative to providing for procedure in courts of chancery, to enjoin and abate houses of lewdness, assignation and prostitution.

The petition was referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Follett presented

Petition No. 1087.

Petition of Arthur H. Stephens and 85 other citizens of Prescott, Ogemaw county, requesting the passage of a law providing that election supplies and election returns shall be sent through the United States mails.

Mr. Frank A. Smith presented

Petition No. 1088.

Resolutions adopted by Haring-Selma Sunday School Association, of Wexford county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 65, relative to the reading of the Holy Bible in the public schools of the State.

The resolutions were referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Moore presented

Petition No. 1082.

Petition of Elvin Ayres and 66 other citizens of Lenawee county, favoring the amending of the tax laws to provide for exemptions of real estate holdings in the same amount as is provided for exemptions on personal property, and favoring repealing the present mortgage tax law, and providing for the assessing of mortgages in the manner as other taxable property is assessed.

The petition was referred to the Committee on General Taxation.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY CLERK OF PRINTING OF BILLS.

The Clerk announced that the following named bills had been printed and placed upon the files of the members Tuesday, March 30:

Senate bill 90 (file No. 243), entitled

A bill to amend sections 1, 21, 23, 32 and 48 of Act No. 190 of the Public Acts of 1891, approved July 3, 1891, entitled "An act to prescribe the manner of conducting and to prevent fraud and deception at elec-

tions in this State," such amended sections being sections 3612, 3631, 3633, 3642 and 3657 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by Act No. 214, Public Acts of 1901; Act No. 189, Public Acts of 1907; Act No. 192, Public Acts of 1909; Acts Nos. 60 and 158, Public Acts of 1911; Act No. 8, Public Acts of 1912; and Acts Nos. 54, 218 and 375, Public Acts of 1913, and to add four new sections to stand as section 49, section 50, section 51 and section 52 of said act.

Senate bill No. 302 (file No. 244), entitled

A bill to amend section 9 of Act No. 198 of the Laws of 1873, entitled "An act to revise the laws providing for the incorporation of the railroad, bridge and tunnel companies and to regulate the running and management and to fix the duties and liabilities of all railroad, bridge, tunnel and other corporations owning or operating any railroad, bridge or tunnel within this State," as amended, said section being compiler's section 6234 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

Senate bill No. 303 (file No. 245), entitled

A bill to amend sections 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 and 13 of Act No. 279 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation of cities and for revising and amending their charters," as amended by Acts Nos. 81 and 203 of the Public Acts of 1911, and Act No. 5 of the Public Acts of 1913.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Ways and Means, by Mr. Hinkley, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 38, entitled

A bill to provide for the purchase of books for the Michigan State Library and books and equipment for the Michigan traveling libraries, and for printing and binding, making an appropriation therefor and providing a tax to meet the same.

With the following amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in and that when so amended the bill pass:

1. Amend by striking out of lines 3 and 5 of section 1, the words "five hundred."

2. Amend by striking out of lines 3 and 5 of section 2, the word "six," and inserting in lieu thereof, the word "five."

3. Amend by striking out of lines 2 and 3 of section 5 the words "eleven thousand and five hundred" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "ten thousand."

4. Amend by striking out of line 4 of section 5, the words "eleven thousand five hundred" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "ten thousand."

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the amendments to the bill recommended by the committee,

The amendments were adopted.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Ways and Means, by Mr. Hinkley, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 325 (file No. 148), entitled

A bill to provide for the appointment of a Dairy and Food Commissioner by the State Board of Agriculture, to prescribe the powers and duties and fix the salary of such Dairy and Food Commissioner, his deputy, clerks, assistants and inspectors, providing an appropriation therefor and a tax to meet the same, and to repeal sections 1, 2 and 3 of Act No. 211 of the Public Acts of 1893, as amended, and all other acts and parts of acts contravening the provisions of this act.

With the following amendment thereto, recommending that the amendment be concurred in and that when so amended the bill pass:

1. Amend by striking out of line 19 of section 2 the words "twenty-five hundred" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "two thousand."

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the amendment to the bill recommended by the committee.

The amendment was adopted.

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Revision and Amendment of the Constitution, by Mr. Ashley, Chairman, reported

House joint resolution No. 3, entitled

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to section 30 of article V of the Constitution, relative to the enactment of local or special acts by the Legislature.

With the following amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in and that when so amended the joint resolution pass:

1. Amend by inserting in line 5 after the word "the" the words "Senate and."

2. Amend by inserting in line 5 after the word "Representatives" the words "of the State of Michigan."

3. Amend by striking out of line 5 the words "(the Senate concurring.)"

4. Amend by inserting in line 3 of section 30 after the word "thereof" the words "and such local or special act shall not be considered in any event by the Legislature unless petitioned for by resolution adopted by a two-thirds vote of the board of supervisors in case such act affects a county, or by a like vote of the governing body of a city, in case the proposed act would affect such city."

3. Amend by striking out of lines 5 and 6 of section 30 the words "on the first Monday in April, nineteen hundred fifteen," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "in November, nineteen hundred sixteen."

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the amendments to the joint resolution recommended by the committee,

The amendments were adopted.

The joint resolution was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Railroads, by Mr. Henry, Chairman, reported House bill No. 61 (file No. 20), entitled

A bill to promote the safety of travelers and employes upon the railroads operating in the State of Michigan, by limiting the length of trains operated by common carriers, and providing a penalty for the violation of this act.

Without recommendation.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

Mr. Oakley moved that the bill be referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Revision and Amendment of the Constitution, by Mr. Ashley, Chairman, reported

House joint resolution No. 16, entitled

Joint resolution proposing an amendment to section 3 of article XI of the Constitution, relative to the election of members of the Board of Regents of the University.

With the recommendation that the joint resolution pass.

And further recommending that the joint resolution be known as the "Ormsbee-Rogers" resolution.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The joint resolution was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The question being on the further recommendation of the committee that the joint resolution be known as the "Ormsbee-Rogers" resolution,

The recommendation was concurred in.

The Committee on Revision and Amendment of the Constitution, by Mr. Ashley, Chairman, reported

House joint resolution No. 18, entitled

Joint resolution proposing an amendment to section 7 of article XI of the Constitution, relative to the election and term of office of members of the State Board of Agriculture.

With the recommendation that the joint resolution pass.

And further recommending that the joint resolution be known as the "Ormsbee-Rogers" resolution.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The joint resolution was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The question being on the further recommendation of the committee that the joint resolution be known as the "Ormsbee-Rogers" resolution,

The recommendation was concurred in.

The Committee on Revision and Amendment of the Constitution, by Mr. Ashley, Chairman, reported

House joint resolution No. 19, entitled

Joint resolution proposing an amendment to section 12 of article V of the Constitution, relative to the election of Senators and Representatives.

With the recommendation that the joint resolution pass.

And further recommending that the joint resolution be known as the "Ormsbee-Rogers" resolution.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The joint resolution was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The question being on the further recommendation of the committee that the joint resolution be known as the "Ormsbee-Rogers" resolution, The recommendation was concurred in.

The Committee on Revision and Amendment of the Constitution, by Mr. Ashley, Chairman, reported

House joint resolution No. 15, entitled

Joint resolution proposing an amendment to section 3 of article VIII of the Constitution, relative to the election and term of office of certain county officers.

With the recommendation that the joint resolution pass.

And further recommending that the joint resolution be known as the "Ormsbee-Rogers" resolution.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The joint resolution was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The question being on the further recommendation of the committee that the joint resolution be known as the "Ormsbee-Rogers" resolution, The recommendation was concurred in.

The Committee on Revision and Amendment of the Constitution, by Mr. Ashley, Chairman, reported

House joint resolution No. 17, entitled

Joint resolution proposing an amendment to section 6 of article XI of the Constitution, relative to the election and term of office of members of the State Board of Education.

With the recommendation that the joint resolution pass.

And further recommending that the joint resolution be known as the "Ormsbee-Rogers" resolution.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The joint resolution was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The question being on the further recommendation of the committee that the joint resolution be known as the "Ormsbee-Rogers" resolution, The recommendation was concurred in.

The Committee on Revision and Amendment of the Constitution, by Mr. Ashley, Chairman, reported

House joint resolution No. 14, entitled

Joint resolution proposing an amendment to section 3 of article V of the Constitution, relative to the election and term of office of State Representatives.

With the recommendation that the joint resolution pass.

And further recommending that the joint resolution be known as the "Ormsbee-Rogers" resolution.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The joint resolution was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The question being on the further recommendation of the committee that the joint resolution be known as the "Ormsbee-Rogers" resolution, The recommendation was concurred in.

The Committee on Revision and Amendment of the Constitution, by Mr. Ashley, Chairman, reported

House joint resolution No. 13, entitled

Joint resolution proposing an amendment to section 2 of article V of the Constitution, relative to the election and term of office of State Senators.

With the recommendation that the joint resolution pass.

And further recommending that the joint resolution be known as the "Ormsbee-Rogers" resolution.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The joint resolution was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The question being on the further recommendation of the committee that the joint resolution be known as the "Ormsbee-Rogers" resolution.

The recommendation was concurred in.

The Committee on Revision and Amendment of the Constitution, by Mr. Ashley, Chairman, reported

House joint resolution No. 12, entitled

Joint resolution proposing an amendment to section 1 of article VI of the Constitution, relative to the election and term of office of certain State officers.

With the recommendation that the joint resolution pass.

And further recommending that the joint resolution be known as the "Ormsbee-Rogers" resolution.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The joint resolution was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The question being on the further recommendation of the committee that the joint resolution be known as the "Ormsbee-Rogers" resolution.

The recommendation was concurred in.

The Committee on Revision and Amendment of the Constitution, by Mr. Ashley, Chairman, reported

House joint resolution No. 11, entitled

Joint resolution proposing an amendment to section 2 of article XI of the Constitution, relative to the election and term of office of a Superintendent of Public Instruction.

With the recommendation that the joint resolution pass.

And further recommending that the joint resolution be known as the "Ormsbee-Rogers" resolution.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The joint resolution was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The question being on the further recommendation of the committee that the joint resolution be known as the "Ormsbee-Rogers" resolution,

The recommendation was concurred in.

The Committee on Revision and Amendment of the Constitution, by Mr. Ashley, Chairman, reported

House joint resolution No. 10, entitled

Joint resolution proposing an amendment to section 2 of article VII of the Constitution, relative to the election of Justices of the Supreme Court.

With the recommendation that the joint resolution pass.

And further recommending that the joint resolution be known as the "Ormsbee-Rogers" resolution.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The joint resolution was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The question being on the further recommendation of the committee that the joint resolution be known as the "Ormsbee-Rogers" resolution,

The recommendation was concurred in.

The Committee on Revision and Amendment of the Constitution, by Mr. Ashley, Chairman, reported

House joint resolution No. 9, entitled

Joint resolution proposing an amendment to section 9 of article VII of the Constitution, relative to the election and term of office of circuit judges.

With the recommendation that the joint resolution pass.

And further recommending that the joint resolution be known as the "Ormsbee-Rogers" resolution.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The joint resolution was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The question being on the further recommendation of the committee that the joint resolution be known as the "Ormsbee-Rogers" resolution,

The recommendation was concurred in.

The Committee on State Affairs, by Mr. James D. Jerome, Chairman, reported

Senate bill No. 85 (file No. 192), entitled

A bill to fix the leaves of absence and furloughs of certain officers and men in all cities of this State having full paid members of fire departments.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on State Affairs, by Mr. James D. Jerome, Chairman, reported

Senate bill No. 206 (file No. 158), entitled

A bill to provide for the preparation, transportation and care of a Michigan exhibit at the National Exhibition to be held in connection with the Half-Century Anniversary of Negro Freedom, in the city of Chicago, in August and September, 1915; to create a commission to manage the said exhibit; and to make an appropriation therefor.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The Committee on State Affairs, by Mr. James D. Jerome, Chairman, reported

Senate bill No. 106 (file No. 173), entitled

A bill to provide for the appointment of a cashier, bookkeeper, assistant bookkeeper and a chief clerk in the office of the State Treasurer, and to fix the salaries thereof.

With the following amendment thereto, recommending that the amendment be concurred in and that when so amended the bill pass:

1. Amend by striking out of line 6 of section 1 the words "twelve hundred" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "one thousand."

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the amendment to the bill recommended by the committee,

The amendment was adopted.

The bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The Committee on State Affairs, by Mr. James D. Jerome, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 190 (file No. 74), entitled

A bill to create and establish the office of county correction officer in counties of this State having a population of less than one hundred thousand; to authorize the appointment of a deputy for such officer in certain cases; to provide for the fixing of the compensation of such officer and deputy; to abolish the offices of county agent of the State Board of Corrections and Charities, county truant officer and probation officer appointed under Act 105 of the Public Acts of 1913, and to vest the duties of said offices in the county correction officer; and to supersede all acts or parts of acts contravening the provisions hereof.

With the following amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in and that when so amended the bill pass:

1. Amend by striking out of line 2 of section 2 the words "the sheriff" and insert in lieu thereof the words "the governor."

2. Amend by striking out of line 16 of section 2 the words "the sheriff" and insert in lieu thereof the words "the governor."

3. Amend by striking out lines 1, 2 and 3 of section 4 to the word "it" and insert in lieu thereof the words "Said county correction officer may appoint a deputy where the same is deemed necessary, whose acts he shall be responsible for."

4. Amend by striking out of line 7 of section 7 the words "fifteen hundred dollars" and insert in lieu thereof the words "four hundred dollars."

5. Amend by striking out of lines 8 and 9 of section 7 the words "nor less than eight hundred dollars per annum for the said deputy."

6. Amend by inserting in line 9 of section 7 before the word "expenses" the word "traveling."

7. Amend by striking out all of lines 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16 and 17 of section 7 except the words "be paid" of line 11 and insert in lieu

thereof the words "out of the general fund of the county upon the warrant of the board of supervisors."

8. Amend by striking out of line 2 of section 8 the words "the sheriff" and insert in lieu thereof the words "county clerk."

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the amendments to the bill recommended by the committee,

The amendments were adopted.

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Judiciary, by Mr. Flowers, Chairman, reported
House bill No. 421, entitled

A bill to amend section 3 of Act No. 22 of the Public Acts of 1891, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation of lodges of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks," being compiler's section 8081 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by Act No. 33 of the Public Acts of 1905 and Act No. 18 of the Public Acts of 1911.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Michigan Farm Colony for Epileptics, by Mr. Green, Chairman, reported

Senate bill No. 208 (file No. 159), entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the Michigan Farm Colony for Epileptics for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1916, to meet a deficiency in the appropriation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1915, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The Committee on Village Corporations, by Mr. Lewis, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 417, entitled

A bill to amend sections 2, 3 and 4 of chapter 11 of Act No. 3 of the Public Acts of 1895, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation of villages within the State of Michigan, and defining their powers and duties," being compiler's sections 2891, 2892 and 2893 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Public Health, by Mr. Newel Smith, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 140 (file No. 51), entitled

A bill to provide free hospital service and medical and surgical treatment for persons afflicted with a malady or deformity which can be

benefited by hospital treatment who are unable to pay for such care and treatment, and for pregnant women unable to pay for such care and treatment and for the children of such pregnant women born during the period of hospital care, and providing for the expense thereof, and prescribing the jurisdiction of the probate court in said cases, and to repeal Act No. 274 of the Public Acts of 1913.

With a substitute therefor, entitled

A bill to provide free hospital service and medical and surgical treatment for persons afflicted with a malady or deformity which can be benefited by hospital treatment who are unable to pay for such care and treatment, and for pregnant women unable to pay for such care and treatment and for the children of such pregnant women born during the period of hospital care, and providing for the expense thereof, and prescribing the jurisdiction of the probate court in said cases.

Recommending that the substitute be concurred in and that the bill as substituted pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the proposed substitute recommended by the committee,

The substitute was adopted.

The bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The Committee on Roads and Bridges, by Mr. Daprato, Chairman, reported

Senate bill No. 95 (file No. 68), entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the completion of the State public wagon road extending from the unincorporated village of Seney, in the township of Seney, county of Schoolcraft, to the north line of town 47, north of range 13 west, said township and county, established by Act No. 58 of the Public Acts of 1913, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The Committee on Roads and Bridges, by Mr. Daprato, Chairman, reported

Senate bill No. 60 (file No. 46), entitled

A bill to provide for the improvement of a certain portion of highway in the county of Jackson known as the Cooper Street Road, from the city limits of the city of Jackson to the intersection thereof with Portage River, and to make an appropriation therefor.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The Committee on Roads and Bridges, by Mr. Daprato, Chairman, reported

Senate bill No. 150 (file No. 106), entitled

A bill to provide for the construction and improvement of highways and the assessment and collection of taxes therefor.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Michigan Reformatory, by Mr. Watkins, Chairman, reported

Senate bill No. 50 (file No. 40), entitled

A bill making appropriations for the Michigan Reformatory for general repairs and special purposes for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1916, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The Committee on Supplies and Expenditures, by Mr. Amon, Chairman, reported the following bill and recommended that voucher be drawn in payment thereof:

C. W. Smith, postage \$10 00

The report was accepted and the account allowed and ordered paid.

The Committee on Agriculture, by Mr. Schmidt, Chairman, reported House bill No. 406, entitled

A bill to establish a test and gauge and to regulate the sale and provide for the inspection of galvanized wire fence.

With the following amendment thereto, recommending that the amendment be concurred in and that when so amended the bill pass:

1. Amend by adding a new section to be known as section 10 and to read as follows: "The provisions of this act shall not take effect until January 1, 1916."

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the amendment to the bill recommended by the committee,

The amendment was adopted.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on State Library, by Mr. Sheridan Ford, Chairman, reported

Senate bill No. 144 (file No. 102), entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the State Board of Library Commissioners for the special purposes of defraying the expenses of organization of existing and new libraries, and for the expense of library institutes and training schools, and for the general expenses of the board for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The Committee on General Taxation, by Mr. Petermann, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 373, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1, 2 and 4 of Act No. 44 of the Public Acts

of 1911, entitled "An act to create a State Board of Equalization; to prescribe its powers and duties; to provide that said board shall be furnished with certain information by the several boards of supervisors and by the Board of State Tax Commissioners to provide for meeting the expense authorized by this act, and to repeal all acts or parts of acts contravening the provisions of this act."

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on General Taxation, by Mr. Petermann, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 267, entitled

A bill to amend section 9 of Act No. 188 of the Public Acts of 1899, entitled "An act to provide for the taxation of inheritances, transfers of property by will, transfers of property by the intestate laws of this State, or transfers of property by deed, grant, bargain, sale or gift, made in contemplation of the death of the grantor, vendor, or donor, or intended to take effect in possession or enjoyment at or after such death," as amended by Act 195 of the Public Acts of 1903, and Act 17 of the Public Acts of 1913.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Liquor Traffic, by Mr. Tufts, Chairman, reported

Senate bill No. 27 (file No. 82), entitled

A bill to prohibit selling, giving, furnishing or delivering any vinous, malt, brewed, fermented, spirituous or intoxicating liquors, or any mixed liquors or beverages, any part of which is intoxicating, at lumber camps, or mills or yards which are connected with lumbering operations, or on, or along right of way of logging railroads to any employe therein, and to provide a penalty for violation of the same.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR.

A message was received from the Governor informing the House of Representatives that on Tuesday, March 30, he had approved

House bill No. 36 (file No. 116), enrolled No. 21, entitled

A bill to make an appropriation for the Michigan State Prison at Jackson, Michigan, for general repairs and special purposes for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1916, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

A message was received from the Governor announcing that on March 30 he had deposited with the Secretary of State the following entitled bill, it having become a law without the Governor's signature:

House bill No. 173 (file No. 60), enrolled No. 15, entitled

A bill to repeal act No. 334 of the Session Laws of 1869, entitled "An act for the protection of fish in the lakes known as Devil's lake and Round lake, in Lenawee county; Whitmore Lake, Washtenaw county, and Brace lake, Calhoun county," as amended by Act No. 169 of the Local Acts of 1889.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM STATE OFFICERS.

The following communication from C. L. Glasgow, a member of the Railroad Commission, was received and read:

Lansing, Michigan, March 31, 1915.

To the Honorable Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives:

Gentlemen:—Answering House resolution No. 43, relative to the paid ad appearing in the March 23rd issue of the State Journal, and purporting to be in substance the language used in an interview given by Commissioner Cunningham to a representative of the said State Journal, and asking if said statements of said Cunningham were made with the consent and approbation of said Michigan Railroad Commission, and representing the views and attitude of the said Commission or its other members, I beg to state:

First—The Commission in response to a request from your honorable body furnished certain information taken from the reports filed with said Commission by the several railroads operating in Michigan, and commented thereon, and no other or different statement (except the one later furnished upon request of the Senate) than the one so made and signed, has been authorized by the Commission.

Second—Answering your question as to whether the article printed in the said State Journal and purporting to represent a statement made by Commissioner Cunningham, met the approbation of the writer, I beg leave to state most emphatically it does not. In my judgment it violates one of the cardinal principles of the Commission observed by it since its creation.

Third—The peculiar position of the Commission, acting as it does in a quasi-judicial capacity in relation to all matters pertaining to railroads and their service to the public, forbids, in my judgment, any publication of personal views by the members of the Commission upon the question under consideration, either before or after its determination by your honorable body, and whether intended to influence such action or not.

Respectfully submitted,

C. L. GLASGOW.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

A message was received from the Senate returning with an amendment

House concurrent resolution No. 17.

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That when the Legislature adjourns on Friday, April second, it stand adjourned until Tuesday, April sixth.

The amendment adopted by the Senate is as follows:

Add at the end of the resolution the words "at 8:30 o'clock p. m."

And informing the House of Representatives that in the adoption of the concurrent resolution as thus amended, the Senate had concurred.

The question being on concurring in the amendment made to the resolution by the Senate,

The amendment was not concurred in, a majority of all the members present not voting therefor.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting

Senate concurrent resolution No. 14, entitled

Concurrent resolution authorizing the Board of State Auditors to allow the First Regiment of Michigan Sharpshooters to erect a monument on the Capitol grounds.

Whereas, The First Regiment of Michigan Sharpshooters, which was organized in the winter of 1862-1863, Colonel Charles V. DeLand, commanding, and which regiment served under General Ulysses S. Grant, from the Wilderness to Appomattox, with conspicuous bravery; and

Whereas, During that campaign, the regiment lost four officers and sixty-five men who were killed on the battlefield; two officers and forty-two men who died of wounds received, and one hundred fifty men who died of disease (most of them in Confederate prisons), the total loss of the regiment being two hundred sixty-three men; and

Whereas, On the third day of April, 1865, this regiment was the first regiment of Union soldiers to enter the city of Petersburg, Virginia, and to plant their colors on the court house, after a siege of ten months; and

Whereas, The survivors of said regiment desire to erect, at their own expense, on the Capitol grounds, a monument in memory of said regiment;

Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring), That the Board of State Auditors be and are hereby authorized and directed to permit the First Regiment of Michigan Sharpshooters to erect, without expense to the State, at such place on the Capitol grounds as the said Board shall select, a monument to cost not less than twenty-five hundred dollars.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the concurrent resolution.

The question being on concurring in the adoption of the resolution,

Mr. Hinkley moved that the concurrent resolution be referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

The motion prevailed.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting

Senate bill No. 179 (file No. 130), entitled

A bill to amend sections 15, 17 and 18 of Act 275 of the Public Acts of 1911, as amended by Act 167 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to provide for the protection of game and birds, to regulate the taking, possession, use and transportation of the same, to prohibit the sale thereof, to regulate the manner of hunting, pursuing and killing game or birds, to provide a penalty for the violation of any of the provisions of this act, and to repeal inconsistent acts and parts of acts."

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

By unanimous consent.

Mr. Empson moved to take from the table

Senate bill No. 230 (file No. 179), entitled

A bill to require all motor boats, launches, or other water craft propelled by gasoline or other internal combustion engines, operated on the inland waters of this State, to be equipped with mufflers, underwater exhausts or other suitable devices to deaden sound; and to provide penalties for violations.

The motion did not prevail.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Biggerstaff introduced

House bill No. 426, entitled

A bill to amend Act No. 313 of the Public Acts of 1887, entitled "An act to provide for the taxation, licensing and regulation of the business of manufacturing, selling, keeping for sale, furnishing, giving or delivering spirituous and intoxicating liquors and malt, brewed or fermented liquors and vinous liquors in this State, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act," being sections 5379 to 5411 inclusive, of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended, by adding two new sections thereto to stand as sections 3a and 3b.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Matthews introduced

House bill No. 427, entitled

A bill to prohibit the taking, catching or killing of blue gills during certain months of the year; and to provide a penalty therefor.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Fish and Fisheries.

Mr. William F. Jerome (by request), introduced

House bill No. 428, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of Act No. 65 of the Public Acts of 1909, approved May 6, 1909, entitled "An act to provide for the payment of tuition in and transportation to another district, of children who have completed the eighth grade in any school district; and to repeal Act No. 190 of the Public Acts of 1903, and all other acts and parts of acts in anywise contravening the provisions of this act," as amended by Act No. 14 of the Public Acts of 1911 and Act No. 268 of the Public Acts of 1913.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Samuel J. Smith introduced

House bill No. 429, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of Act 120 of the Public Acts of 1913, the same being "An act to regulate the spearing of ciscos and carp in the inland lakes of this State."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Fish and Fisheries.

Mr. Watkins introduced

House bill No. 430, entitled

A bill to amend the title and sections 1, 3, 5, 6, 7 and 8 of Act No. 6 of the Public Acts of the Extra Session of 1907, entitled "An act to define and to regulate the treatment and control of dependent, neglected and delinquent children; to prescribe the jurisdiction of the probate court and the powers, duties and compensation of the probate judge and probate register with regard thereto; to provide for the appointment of county agents, register of the juvenile division and probation officers, and to prescribe their powers, duties and compensation," as amended by Act No. 310 of the Public Acts of 1909, Act No. 262 of the Public Acts of 1911, Acts Nos. 228 and 363 of the Public Acts of 1913, and to add one new section thereto to stand as section 12-a.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. DeBoer introduced

House bill No. 431, entitled

A bill to amend section 7 of Act No. 206 of the Public Acts of 1893, entitled "An act to provide for the assessment of property, and the levy and collection of taxes thereon, and for the collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied; making such taxes a lien on the lands taxed; establishing and continuing such lien, providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes, and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the State and not redeemed or purchased; and to repeal Act No. 200 of the Public Acts of 1891, and all other acts and parts of acts in anywise contravening any of the provisions of this act," being section 3830 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as last amended by Act No. 174 of the Public Acts of 1911.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on General Taxation.

Mr. Green introduced

House bill No. 432, entitled

A bill to protect fish in the waters of Little Thunder Bay, in Alpena county, by prohibiting the catching or taking, or attempting to take or catch the same with gill nets, trap nets, pound nets, seines or any other device of any kind, except with hook and line, and providing a penalty therefor.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Fish and Fisheries.

Mr. Warner introduced

House bill No. 433, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of Act No. 205 of the Public Acts of 1885,

as amended by Act No. 199 of the Public Acts of 1889, entitled "An act to authorize the transcript of a judgment from the docket of one justice of the peace to that of another within this State," being compiler's section 848 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Gettel introduced

House bill No. 434, entitled

A bill to provide that each warranty deed before being accepted for record in the State of Michigan shall be accompanied by an affidavit reciting the true consideration for such deed, prescribing the form for such affidavit, and providing a penalty for violation thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Lewis introduced

House bill No. 435, entitled

A bill to prohibit any person or persons from entering into any agreement, contract or understanding for the employment or engagement of a solicitor, runner or capper for the purpose of obtaining business or damage suits on account of personal injury, and prescribing penalties for its violation.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Wells introduced

House bill No. 436, entitled

A bill authorizing and directing the Auditor General to transfer the fund of \$100,000 appropriated by Act 356 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to provide for establishment and maintenance in this State, of a State House of Correction at or near the city of Bay City in the county of Bay; for the confinement of convicted persons therein; for the government and discipline thereof; and to make appropriations therefor, and to provide taxes to meet the same," to the general fund of the State.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Henry introduced

House bill No. 437, entitled

A bill to regulate the manufacture, display, advertisement and sale of oleomargarine or imitation butter and to prevent fraud and deception therein, and to provide penalties for violations thereof, and to repeal Act No. 63 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to regulate the manufacture, display, advertisement and sale of oleomargarine or imitation butter, and to prevent fraud and deception therein and to provide penalties for violations thereof."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Mr. Stevens introduced

House bill No. 438, entitled

A bill to regulate the manufacture and sale of carbonated beverages, syrups, extracts and soft drinks within the State, and prescribe penalties for violation thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 47 (file No. 158), entitled

A bill for the improvement of a certain portion of the highway known as the "Fort Gratiot Turnpike," located in the township of Columbus in the county of St. Clair, and making appropriation therefor.

Was read a third time and passed, two-thirds of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Gayde	Mr. Nank	Mr. Smith, Newel
Anderson	Gettel	Nelson	Smith, S. J.
Ashley	Green	Oakley	Snow
Averill	Griggs	O'Brien	Sours
Biggerstaff	Haviland	Olmsted	Stevens
Bosch	Henry	Ormsbee	Stevenson
Chapin	Hopkins	Palmer	Sutton
Clark	Hulse	Penney	Symonds
Cowan	Jerome, J. D.	Person	Tufts
Croll	Jerome, W. F.	Petermann	Vine
Culver	Jones	Place	Ward
Daigneau	Keen	Pray	Warner
Daprato	Koehler	Quintel	Watkins
De Boer	Kooyers	Read, Thos.	Weissert
Edwards	Lamphere	Reed, C. J.	Wells
Empson	Lewis	Robertson	Whiteley
Ewing	Martin	Rogers	Wiley
Flowers	Martz	Ross	Wood
Follett	Matthews	Schmidt	Woodruff
Ford, R. L.	Miller	Sherman	Wright
Ford, Sheridan	Moore	Shields	Speaker
Francis			

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NAYS.

Mr. Evens	Mr. Hoffman	Mr. Leland	Mr. Rice
Foote	Kemmerling	McMillan	Root
Hinkley			

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Pending the announcement of the vote upon the bill,

Mr. Anderson demanded the vote of Mr. O'Brien.

Mr. O'Brien voted yea and was so recorded.

Mr. Cowan demanded the vote of Mr. Nelson.

Mr. Nelson voted yea and was so recorded.

The House agreed to the title of the bill.

Mr. Haviland moved that the bill be ordered to take immediate effect.

The motion prevailed, two-thirds of all the members-elect voting therefor.

House bill No. 70 (file No. 39), entitled

A bill to provide for the organization, operation and supervision of fire insurance rate making bureaus; to provide for a review of any rates fixed by any such bureau for fire insurance upon property in this State; to prohibit discrimination in such rates, and to regulate all agreements between fire insurance companies or their agents affecting such rates.

Was read a third time and, the question being on its passage,

Mr. Rice moved to amend the bill

By inserting in line 5 of section 15, after the word "five" the words "nor to any company authorized to do business in this State not charging an advance premium."

The motion prevailed and the amendment was adopted, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor.

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Gayde	Mr. Olmsted	Mr. Stevenson
Anderson	Griggs	Penney	Symonds
Ashley	Haviland	Person	Tufts
Averill	Henry	Place	Van Antwerp
Biggerstaff	Hinkley	Pray	Vine
Chapin	Hopkins	Read, Thos.	Ward
Cowan	Hulse	Reed, C. J.	Warner
De Boer	Jerome, J. D.	Rice	Watkins
Edwards	Jerome, W. F.	Robertson	Weissert
Empson	Koehler	Rogers	Wells
Evens	Kooyers	Root	Whiteley
Ewing	Lamphere	Schmidt	Wieland
Flowers	Martz	Sherman	Wiley
Follett	Matthews	Smith, F. A.	Wood
Foote	Miller	Smith, Newel	Woodruff
Ford, R. L.	Moore	Snow	Wright
Ford, Sheridan	Oakley	Stevens	Speaker
Francis	O'Brien		

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NAYS.

Mr. Bosch	Mr. Green	Mr. McMillan	Mr. Petermann
Clark	Hoffman	Martin	Quintel
Culver	Keen	Nank	Shields
Daigneau	Kemmerling	Nelson	Smith, S. J.
Daprato	Leland	Ormsbee	Sours
Gettel	Lewis	Palmer	Wolcott

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Pending the announcement of the vote upon the bill,

Mr. Ormsbee demanded the vote of Mr. Bosch.

Mr. Bosch voted nay and was so recorded.

The House agreed to the title of the bill.

House bill No. 358 (file No. 150), entitled

A bill to provide for an angler's license to take or catch or attempt to take or catch fish with a hook and line in the lakes and streams within the jurisdiction of the State of Michigan, to provide that non-resident licensees may take from the State a day's legal catch, to provide for the

sale and issuing of licenses, to provide a penalty for the violation of any of the provisions of this act, and to authorize and regulate the disbursement of fees collected thereunder, and to repeal Act 329 of the Public Acts of 1913.

Was read a third time and, the question being on its passage,

Mr. Follett moved to amend the bill

By inserting in line 17 of section 3 after the word "resides" the words "or any county which borders on the county in which he actually resides."

The motion prevailed and the amendment was adopted, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor.

Was read a third time and not passed, a majority of all the members-elect not voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Hoffman	Mr. Matthews	Mr. Smith, F. A.
Anderson	Hopkins	Moore	Smith, S. J.
Ashley	Jerome, J. D.	Nelson	Stevenson
De Boer	Jones	Oakley	Symonds
Edwards	Kemmerling	O'Brien	Tufts
Empson	Koehler	Olmsted	Whiteley
Ewing	Kooyers	Penney	Wiley
Gayde	Lamphere	Person	Wood
Gettel	Lewis	Read, Thos.	Woodruff
Green	McMillan	Rice	Wright

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NAYS.

Mr. Averill	Mr. Ford, Sheridan	Mr. Palmer	Mr. Snow
Biggerstaff	Francis	Petermann	Sours
Bosch	Griggs	Root	Stevens
Chapin	Haviland	Ross	Sutton
Clark	Henry	Place	Van Antwerp
Cowan	Hinkley	Pray	Vine
Croll	Hulse	Quintel	Ward
Culver	Jerome, W. F.	Reed, C. J.	Warner
Daigneau	Keen	Robertson	Watkins
Daprato	Leland	Rogers	Weissert
Flowers	Martin	Schmidt	Wells
Follett	Miller	Sherman	Wieland
Foote	Nank	Shields	Wolcott
Ford, R. L.	Ormsbee	Smith, Newel	Speaker

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House bill No. 377 (file No. 153), entitled

A bill to amend section 7 of chapter 3 of Act No. 283 of the Public Acts of 1909, as amended, entitled "An act to revise, consolidate and add to the laws relating to the establishment, opening, improvement, maintenance and use of the public highways and private roads, the condemnation of property and gravel therefor; the building, repairing and preservation of bridges, setting and protecting shade trees, drainage, cutting weeds and brush within this State, and providing for the election and defining the powers, duties and compensation of State, county, township and district highway officials."

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Gettel	Mr. Miller	Mr. Sherman
Anderson	Green	Moore	Shields
Ashley	Griggs	Nank	Smith, F. A.
Averill	Haviland	Nelson	Smith, Newel
Bosch	Henry	Oakley	Smith, S. J.
Chapin	Hinkley	Ormsbee	Stevens
Cowan	Hoffman	Palmer	Stevenson
Croll	Hopkins	Penney	Sutton
Culver	Hulse	Person	Symonds
Daigneau	Jerome, J. D.	Petermann	Tufts
Daprato	Jerome, W. F.	Place	Vine
De Boer	Jones	Pray	Warner
Edwards	Keen	Quintel	Watkins
Empson	Kemmerling	Reed, C. J.	Weissert
Evens	Koehler	Rice	Whiteley
Ewing	Kooyers	Robertson	Wiley
Flowers	Lewis	Rogers	Wolcott
Ford, R. L.	McMillan	Root	Wood
Ford, Sheridan	Martin	Ross	Wright
Francis	Matthews	Schmidt	Speaker
Gayde			

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NAYS.

Mr. Biggerstaff	Mr. Lamphere	Mr. Sours	Mr. Wells
Clark	Leland	Van Antwerp	Wieland
Follett	Snow		

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

House bill No. 305 (file No. 155), entitled

A bill to amend section 22 of chapter 8 of Act No. 3 of the Public Acts of 1895, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation of villages within the State of Michigan, and defining their powers and duties," as last amended by Act No. 39 of the Public Acts of 1899.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Gayde	Mr. Nank	Mr. Smith, S. J.
Anderson	Gettel	Nelson	Snow
Ashley	Green	Oakley	Sours
Averill	Griggs	Olmsted	Stevens
Bosch	Haviland	Ormsbee	Stevenson
Chapin	Henry	Palmer	Sutton
Clark	Hoffman	Penney	Symonds
Cowan	Hopkins	Person	Tufts
Croll	Hulse	Petermann	Van Antwerp
Culver	Jerome, J. D.	Place	Vine
Daigneau	Jerome, W. F.	Pray	Ward
Daprato	Keen	Quintel	Warner
De Boer	Kemmerling	Reed, C. J.	Watkins
Edwards	Koehler	Rice	Weissert
Empson	Kooyers	Robertson	Wells
Evens	Lamphere	Rogers	Whiteley
Ewing	Leland	Root	Wieland
Flowers	Lewis	Ross	Wiley
Follett	McMillan	Schmidt	Wood
Foote	Martin	Sherman	Woodruff
Ford, R. L.	Matthews	Shields	Wright
Ford, Sheridan	Miller	Smith, F. A.	Speaker
Francis	Moore	Smith, Newel	

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

House bill No. 348 (file No. 156), entitled

A bill to provide for the establishment of public closets, commonly known and designated as public convenience stations, in all incorporated villages and cities of this State, and in certain unincorporated villages therein.

Was read a third time and, the question being on its passage,

Mr. Lewis moved to amend the bill

By inserting in line 2 of section 1 after the word "State" the words "and of the board of trustees of any incorporated village."

By inserting in line 3 of section 1 after the word "such" the words "village or."

By inserting in line 7 of section 1 after the word "each" the words "village or."

By inserting in line 10 of section 1 after the word "city" the words "or village."

By inserting the following to stand as section 2:

"Sec. 2. In all unincorporated villages having a population of one hundred inhabitants or more, it shall be the duty of the township board in which such village may be located, to establish one public convenience station, subject to the same general regulations as are placed upon the boards of trustees of incorporated villages."

The motion prevailed and the amendment was adopted, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor.

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Gayde	Mr. Nelson	Mr. Shields
Anderson	Gettel	Oakley	Smith, F. A.
Ashley	Haviland	O'Brien	Smith, Newel
Averill	Hulse	Ormsbee	Smith, S. J.
Chapin	Jerome, J. D.	Penney	Sours
Clark	Jerome, W. F.	Person	Stevenson
Culver	Keen	Place	Tufts
Daprato	Koehler	Quintel	Van Antwerp
De Boer	Kooyers	Reed, C. J.	Watkins
Empson	Lamphere	Robertson	Weissert
Ewing	Lewis	Rogers	Wiley
Flowers	McMillan	Root	Wolcott
Ford, R. L.	Miller	Schmidt	Wood
Ford, Sheridan	Moore	Sherman	Speaker
Francis	Nank		

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NAYS.

Mr. Biggerstaff	Mr. Henry	Mr. Palmer	Mr. Symonds
Bosch	Hinkley	Petermann	Vine
Croll	Hoffman	Pray	Ward
Daigneau	Hopkins	Read, Thos.	Warner
Edwards	Kemmerling	Rice	Wells
Evens	Leland	Ross	Whiteley
Foote	Martin	Snow	Woodruff
Green	Matthews	Sutton	Wright
Griggs	Olmsted		

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Pending the announcement of the vote upon the bill,
 Mr. Koehler demanded the vote of Mr. Griggs.
 Mr. Griggs voted nay and was so recorded.
 Mr. Koehler demanded the vote of Mr. Sherman.
 Mr. Sherman voted yea and was so recorded.
 Mr. Koehler demanded the vote of Mr. William F. Jerome.
 Mr. William F. Jerome voted yea and was so recorded.
 Mr. Quintel demanded the vote of Mr. Gettel.
 Mr. Gettel voted yea and was so recorded.
 Mr. Sours demanded the vote of Mr. Palmer.
 Mr. Palmer voted nay and was so recorded.
 The House agreed to the title of the bill.
 Mr. Foote moved that the bill be ordered to take immediate effect.
 The motion did not prevail, two-thirds of all the members-elect not voting therefor.

House bill No. 376 (file No. 157), entitled

A bill to amend section 8 of chapter 6 of Act No. 254 of the Public Acts of 1897, entitled "An act to provide for the construction and maintenance of drains, and the assessment and collection of taxes therefor, and to repeal all other laws relative thereto," being section 4361 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Francis	Mr. Nank	Mr. Smith, Newel
Anderson	Gettel	Oakley	Smith, S. J.
Ashley	Griggs	O'Brien	Snow
Averill	Haviland	Olmsted	Sours
Bosch	Henry	Ormsbee	Stevenson
Chapin	Hinkley	Penney	Sutton
Clark	Hoffman	Person	Tufts
Cowan	Hopkins	Petermann	Van Antwerp
Croll	Hulse	Place	Vine
Culver	Jerome, J. D.	Pray	Ward
Daigneau	Jerome, W. F.	Quintel	Warner
Daprato	Jones	Read, Thos.	Watkins
De Boer	Keen	Reed, C. J.	Weissert
Edwards	Koehler	Rice	Wells
Empson	Kooyers	Robertson	Whiteley
Evens	Leland	Rogers	Wieland
Ewing	Lewis	Ross	Wiley
Flowers	Leland	Schmidt	Wood
Follett	Matthews	Sherman	Woodruff
Foote	Miller	Shields	Wright
Ford, R. L.	Moore	Smith, F. A.	Speaker
Ford, Sheridan			

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NAYS.

Mr. Lamphere

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Flowers offered the following concurrent resolution:

House concurrent resolution No. 18.

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That when the Legislature adjourns on Thursday, April 22, 1915, it stand adjourned until Monday, May 10; and that when it adjourns on Monday, May 10, it stand adjourned until Tuesday, May 11, at 9:00 o'clock a. m.

The Speaker announced that under Rule 50 the resolution would lie over one day.

Mr. Flowers moved that Rule 50 be suspended.

The motion prevailed, two thirds of all the members present voting therefor.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

The resolution was adopted.

Mr. Flowers offered the following concurrent resolution:

House concurrent resolution No. 19.

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That on Tuesday, May 11, 1915, the Legislature shall adjourn without day.

The Speaker announced that under Rule 50 the resolution would lie over one day.

Mr. Flowers moved that Rule 50 be suspended.

The motion prevailed, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

The resolution was adopted.

Mr. Empson moved to take from the table

Senate bill No. 230 (file No. 179), entitled

A bill to require all motor boats, launches, or other water craft propelled by gasoline or other internal combustion engines, operated on the inland waters of this State, to be equipped with mufflers, underwater exhausts or other suitable devices to deaden sound; and to provide penalties for violations.

The motion prevailed.

The question being on the passage of the bill,

Mr. Person moved to amend the bill

By inserting in line 3 of section 1, after the word "energy" the words "and all such engines operating all farm or other machinery or conveyances."

The motion did not prevail and the amendment was not adopted, a majority of all the members-elect not voting therefor.

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Jerome, J. D.	Mr. Penney	Mr. Stevenson
Ashley	Jones	Petermann	Sutton
Croll	Keen	Place	Symonds
Culver	Koehler	Pray	Vine
Daprato	Kooyers	Read, Thos.	Warner
De Boer	Lewis	Rice	Watkins
Edwards	Martin	Root	Weissert
Empson	Moore	Ross	Wieland
Flowers	Nank	Schmidt	Wiley
Follett	Nelson	Sherman	Wolcott
Ford, R. L.	O'Brien	Smith, F. A.	Wood
Griggs	Olmsted	Snow	Wright
Haviland	Palmer	Stevens	Speaker
Hulse			

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NAYS.

Mr. Anderson	Mr. Ford, Sheridan	Mr. McMillan	Mr. Shields
Averill	Francis	Matthews	Smith, Newel
Biggerstaff	Gettel	Miller	Smith, S. J.
Bosch	Green	Oakley	Sours
Chapin	Hinkley	Ormsbee	Tufts
Clark	Hoffman	Person	Van Antwerp
Daigneau	Hopkins	Quintel	Ward
Evens	Kemmerling	Reed, C. J.	Wells
Ewing	Leland	Robertson	Whiteley
Foote			

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

Mr. Vine moved that

House bill No. 322 (file No. 187), entitled

A bill to provide for the transfer to the enlarging hospital fund of a certain unexpended appropriation for the Industrial Home for Girls.

Be taken from the order of Third Reading and re-referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The motion prevailed.

By unanimous consent the House returned to the order of

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on State Affairs, by Mr. James D. Jerome, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 261, entitled

A bill to create a commission to investigate the existing system of public care and relief of poor persons in the State of Michigan; the laws governing the same and the administration of such laws; to define the powers and duties of said commission, and to appropriate the necessary moneys for the expense to be incurred by said commission in the performance of its duties.

With the following amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in and that when so amended the bill pass:

1. Amend by adding at the end of section 6 after the word "State" the words "Provided however, That the total expenditures and charges for or in behalf of said commission shall not exceed two thousand five hundred dollars."

2. Amend by inserting in line 3 of section 1 after the word "State" the words "to hold office until the adjournment of the regular session of the Legislature of 1917 and."

3. Amend by adding a new section to stand as section 7, and to read as follows: "The Auditor General shall add to and incorporate in the State tax for the year 1915, the sum of twenty-five hundred dollars, which amount when collected, shall be credited to the general fund to reimburse the same for the money hereby appropriated."

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the amendments to the bill recommended by the committee,

The amendments were adopted.

The bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The Committee on State Capitol and Public Buildings, by Mr. Stevenson, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 326, entitled

A bill to make an appropriation for the purchase of two bronze copies of the original marble portrait statute of George Washington, to be placed in the State Capitol and the University of Michigan.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

GENERAL ORDERS OF THE DAY.

Mr. Hopkins moved that the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole on the general orders.

The motion prevailed.

The Speaker called Mr. Hopkins to the chair.

After a time spent in the consideration of bills upon the general orders, the committee rose, and, through its chairman, made a report recommending the passage, without amendment, of the following entitled bills:

House bill No. 392 (file No. 167), entitled

A bill to amend section 5 of Act No. 6 of the Public Acts of 1907, Extra Session, as last amended by Act 363 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to define and to regulate the treatment and control of dependent, neglected and delinquent children; to prescribe the jurisdiction of the probate court and the powers, duties and compensation of the probate judge and probate register with regard thereto; to provide for the appointment of county agents, register of juvenile division and probation officers, and to prescribe their powers, duties and compensation."

House bill No. 349 (file No. 168), entitled

A bill to amend section 29 of chapter 65 of the Revised Statutes of Michigan of 1846, entitled "Of alienation by deed, and the proof and recording of conveyances, and the cancelling of mortgages," being section 8988 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

House bill No. 385 (file No. 169), entitled

A bill to prohibit the giving or receiving of any gift or gratuity in connection with any service performed in any shop, hotel, restaurant, public house or public utility in excess of the maximum price therefor.

House bill No. 282 (file No. 170), entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of Act No. 81 of the Public Acts of 1907, entitled "An act for the protection of boarding house keepers.

House bill No. 374 (file No. 171), entitled

A bill to amend section 34 of Act No. 206 of the Public Acts of 1893, entitled "An act to provide for the assessment of property and the levy and collection of taxes thereon, and for the collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied, making such taxes a lien on the lands taxed, establishing and continuing such lien, providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes, and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the State and not redeemed or purchased; and to repeal Act No. 200 of the Public Acts of 1891, and all other acts and parts of acts in anywise contravening any of the provisions of this act," as last amended by Act No. 201 of the Public Acts of 1913, being section 3857 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

House bill No. 372 (file No. 172), entitled

A bill to amend section 148 of Act 206 of the Public Acts of 1893, entitled "An act to provide for the assessment of property and the levy and collection of taxes thereon, and for the collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied; making such taxes a lien on the lands taxed, establishing and continuing such lien, providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes, and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the State, and not redeemed or purchased; and to repeal Act No. 200 of the Public Acts of 1891, and all other acts and parts of acts in anywise contravening any of the provisions of this act," as added to said Act by Act No. 154 of the Public Acts of 1899, as last amended by Act No. 153 of the Public Acts of 1913.

House bill No. 370 (file No. 173), entitled

A bill to require examiners and appraisers of property employed by the Board of State Tax Commissioners to take and file the constitutional oath of office.

House bill No. 359 (file No. 175), entitled

A bill to amend section 4 of Act 172 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act authorizing the acceptance by the State of a certain tract of land in Crawford county on certain conditions, providing for its control and management when so accepted, and making an appropriation for the purpose of making improvements thereon," approved May 2, 1913, and to further amend said act by adding thereto a new section to stand as section 4 "a."

The bills were placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

The Committee of the Whole reported

House bill No. 42 (file No. 196), entitled

A bill to provide for the payment of salaries to the sheriff, undersheriff, county clerk, county treasurer, register of deeds, prosecuting

attorney and deputies of said officers of the several counties of the State of Michigan, excepting those counties where salaries are regulated by special act; and providing for the collection of all fees and charges and payment of the same to the county treasurer and prescribing penalties for the violation of this act, and also providing for a referendum hereof to the electors of the different counties of this State to determine the adoption or discontinuance of the provisions of this act within their county and to repeal all acts or parts of acts in contravention to the provisions of this act.

Recommending the adoption of the following amendments thereto, and the passage of the bill when so amended:

1. Amend by striking out of line 4 of section 9 the word "five" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "fifteen."

2. Amend by striking out of lines 43 and 44 of section 1 the words "the aforesaid minimum schedule" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "the provisions of this act."

The question being on the adoption of the proposed amendments made by the committee,

The amendments were adopted and the bill was placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

The Committee of the Whole reported

House bill No. 131 (file No. 162), entitled

A bill to amend sections 1 and 2 of chapter III; section 3 of chapter IV; section 1 of chapter V; section 1 of chapter VII; and section 1 of chapter VIII of Act No. 254 of the Public Acts of 1897, as amended, entitled "An act to provide for the construction and maintenance of drains, and the assessment and collection of taxes therefor," the same being sections 4319, 4320, 4342, 4344, 4371 and 4379 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, and to add a new section to chapter IX, to stand as section 13.

Recommending the adoption of the following amendment thereto, and the passage of the bill when so amended:

1. Amend by inserting in line 20 of section 1 of chapter 3 after the word "commissioner" the words "Provided however, The county drain commissioner may secure signatures to an application for any drain where land owned in fee simple by said county drain commissioner is liable to special assessment for benefits by reason of such proposed drain."

The question being on the adoption of the proposed amendment made by the committee,

The amendment was adopted and the bill was placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

The Committee of the Whole reported

House bill No. 34 (file No. 165), entitled

A bill to amend section 32 of Act No. 183 of the Public Acts of 1897, entitled "An act to provide for the appointment and fix the term of offices, duties and compensation of circuit court stenographers in the State of Michigan," approved May 29, 1897, being section 394 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, relative to the compensation of circuit court stenographer in the nineteenth judicial circuit.

Recommending the adoption of the following amendment thereto, and the passage of the bill when so amended:

Amend by striking out of line 2 of section 32 the words "four hundred."

The question being on the adoption of the proposed amendment made by the committee,

The amendment was adopted and the bill was placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

The Committee of the Whole reported

House bill No. 391 (file No. 166), entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of Act No. 94 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to provide for the appointment of guardians of the persons of habitual drunkards, and of persons so addicted to the excessive use of intoxicating liquors or narcotic or noxious drugs as to need medical or sanitary treatment or care, and for restraining them in a suitable asylum or hospital."

Recommending the adoption of the following amendment thereto, and the passage of the bill when so amended:

1. Amend by inserting in line 6 of section 2 after the word "thereof" the words "and shall cause notice thereof."

The question being on the adoption of the proposed amendment made by the committee,

The amendment was adopted and the bill was placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

The Committee of the Whole reported

House bill No. 361 (file No. 174), entitled

A bill to repeal Act No. 87 of the Public Acts of 1907, entitled "An act to prohibit the spearing of fish in any of the public streams or rivers in certain townships of Van Buren county," upon approval by referendum of the electors of said townships.

Recommending the adoption of the following amendment thereto, and the passage of the bill when so amended:

1. Amend by striking out of line 14 of section 2 the words "at said election."

The question being on the adoption of the proposed amendment made by the committee,

The amendment was adopted and the bill was placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

The Committee of the Whole reported

House bill No. 184 (file No. 188), entitled

A bill to amend section 9 of part 2, of Act No. 10 of the Public Acts of the Extra Session of 1912, entitled "An act to promote the welfare of the people of this State, relating to the liability of employers for injuries or death sustained by their employes, providing compensation for the accidental injury to or death of employes and methods for the payment of the same, establishing an Industrial Accident Board, defining its powers, providing for a review of its awards, making an appropriation to carry out the provisions of this act, and restricting the right to compensation or damages in such cases to such as are provided by this act."

Recommending that all after the enacting clause be stricken out.

The recommendation was concurred in, and all after the enacting clause of the bill was stricken out.

The Committee of the Whole reported

House bill No. 354 (file No. 189), entitled

A bill to amend sections 9, 10 and 11 of Act No. 285 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to provide for the creation of a Department of Labor, to prescribe its powers and duties; to regulate the employment of labor; to make an appropriation for the maintenance of such department, and to prescribe penalties for the violation of this act," as last amended by Act No. 220 of the Public Acts of 1911.

Recommending the adoption of the following amendments thereto, and the passage of the bill when so amended:

1. Amend by inserting in line 6 of section 10, after the word "alley" the words "billiard or pool room conducted for profit."

2. Amend by striking out of line 10 of section 10, the words "theatre."

3. Amend by striking out of lines 22 and 23 of section 10, the words "or by the judge of probate of the county wherein such child resides."

4. Amend by inserting in line 24 of section 10, after the word "returned" the word "immediately."

5. Amend by inserting in line 28 of section 10, after the word "permit" the words "or other record required by this act."

The question being on the adoption of the proposed amendments made by the committee,

The amendments were adopted and the bill was placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

By unanimous consent the House returned to the order of

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Ways and Means, by Mr. Hinkley, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 49, entitled

A bill making appropriation for special purposes for the Michigan Home and Training School at Lapeer for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

With a substitute therefor, having the same title.

Recommending that the substitute be concurred in and that the bill as substituted pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the proposed substitute recommended by the committee,

The substitute was adopted.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Ways and Means, by Mr. Hinkley, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 175, entitled

A bill to provide for the establishment of a branch bacteriological laboratory in and for the Upper Peninsula of the State, and authorizing the employment of a bacteriologist to take charge thereof; to authorize the purchase of the necessary appliances and apparatus for such laboratory and providing an appropriation therefor.

With a substitute therefor, having the same title.

Recommending that the substitute be concurred in and that the bill as substituted pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the proposed substitute recommended by the committee.

The substitute was adopted.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Ways and Means, by Mr. Hinkley, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 87, entitled

A bill making appropriations for the State Tuberculosis Sanatorium for current expenses and for building and special purposes for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

With a substitute therefor having the same title.

Recommending that the substitute be concurred in and that the bill as substituted pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the proposed substitute recommended by the committee,

The substitute was adopted.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

By unanimous consent

Mr. Watkins introduced

House bill No. 439, entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of chapter XXII and section 11 of chapter XXIV of Act No. 283 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to revise, consolidate and add to the laws relating to the establishment, opening, improvement, maintenance and use of the public highways and private roads; the condemnation of property and gravel therefor; the building, repairing and preservation of bridges; setting and protecting shade trees; drainage; cutting weeds and brush within this State and providing for the election and defining the powers, duties and compensation of State, county, township and district highway officials," and to add three new sections to chapter XXII of said act to be known as sections 6, 7 and 8, and to repeal all acts or parts of acts contravening the provisions of this act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Petermann moved that when the House adjourns today it stand adjourned until tomorrow at 1:30 o'clock p. m.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Gettel moved that the House adjourn.

The motion prevailed, the time being 5:58 o'clock p. m.

The Speaker declared the House adjourned until tomorrow at 1:30 o'clock p. m.

The motion prevailed.

CHARLES S. PIERCE,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.

FIFTY-EIGHTH DAY.

Lansing, Thursday, April 1.

1:30 o'clock p. m.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

Religious exercises were conducted by Rev. A. H. Smith, of the Michigan Avenue Methodist Episcopal Church, of Lansing.

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk, who announced that a quorum was present.

Messrs. Lamphere and Martz were absent without leave.

Mr. Wieland moved that the absentees without leave be excused from today's session.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Evens asked and obtained a leave of absence from tomorrow's session.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

Mr. Nelson presented

Petition No. 1083.

Petition of Robt. Tobin and 147 other citizens of Gogebic county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 61, entitled "A bill to promote the safety of travelers and employes upon the railroads operating in the State of Michigan by limiting the length of trains operated by common carriers"; also Senate bill No. 13, known as the full crew bill.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Evens presented

Petition No. 1084.

Petition of T. E. Johnson and 13 others, former students of the Uni-

versity of Michigan, requesting the passage of a bill prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors within a radius of five miles of certain educational institutions of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Clark presented

Petition No. 1085.

Petition of Oral B. Moore and 16 other citizens of the State, requesting the passage of a bill prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors within a radius of five miles of certain educational institutions of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Daprato presented

Petition No. 1086.

Petition of May C. Pascoe and 22 other citizens and teachers of Norway, Dickinson county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 64, relative to a retirement fund for teachers.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Lewis presented

Petition No. 1087.

Petition of A. B. Chase and 56 other citizens of Covert, Van Buren county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 214, providing for State-wide prohibition.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Wells presented

Petition No. 1088.

Petition of H. S. Bishop and 25 other citizens of Cass county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 214, providing for State-wide prohibition.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. DeBoer presented

Petition No. 1089.

Petition of Edwin W. Bishop and 82 other citizens of Grand Rapids, Kent county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 64, relative to a retirement fund for teachers.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Moore presented

Petition No. 1090.

Petition of James Hogen and 25 other citizens of Clinton, Lenawee county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 64, relative to a retirement fund for teachers.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. VanAntwerp presented

Petition No. 1091.

Petition of Wm. Boss and 105 other citizens of Kent county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 214, providing for State-wide prohibition.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Clarence J. Reed presented
Petition No. 1092.

Petition of Wm. B. Neely and 221 other citizens of Jackson county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 214, providing for State-wide prohibition.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Anderson presented
Petition No. 1093.

Petition of W. P. Wilson and 8 other citizens of Northport, Leelanau county, in favor of the present laws regulating the catching of fish, when amended to provide that the mesh of pound nets be four inches in the pot instead of three and one-half inches.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Fish and Fisheries.

Mr. Anderson presented
Petition No. 1094.

Petition of Newton W. Ely and 62 other citizens of Honor, Benzie county, requesting the amending of the deer hunting law so as to permit the killing of one deer during any one year, which must be a deer with horns; also prohibiting the killing or taking of any fawn deer.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Game Laws.

Mr. Penney presented
Petition No. 1095.

Petition of W. Burk and 313 other citizens of Saginaw, Saginaw county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 214, providing for State-wide prohibition.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Haviland presented
Petition No. 1096.

Petition of Frank J. Hunter and 29 other citizens of Capac, St. Clair county, requesting the passage of House bill No. 337, providing for and limiting the taxes to be spread and assessed against property within the limits of an incorporated village.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Haviland presented
Petition No. 1097.

Petition of James Powrie and 67 other citizens of St. Clair, St. Clair county, requesting the passage of Senate bill No. 64, relative to a retirement fund for teachers.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Education.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY CLERK OF PRINTING OF BILLS.

The Clerk announced that the following named bill had been printed and placed upon the files of the members Saturday, March 27:

Senate bill No. 307 (file No. 253), entitled

A bill to prescribe the duties of the Secretary of the Senate and the

Clerk of the House of Representatives during the interim of sessions of the Legislature, to fix their compensation, and to make an appropriation therefor.

The Clerk announced that the following named bills had been printed and placed upon the files of the members Wednesday, March 31:

Senate bill No. 304 (file No. 246), entitled

A bill to amend sections 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10 of Act No. 278 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation of villages and for revising and amending their charters," as amended by Act No. 71 of the Public Acts of 1911, and Act No. 95 of the Public Acts of 1913.

Senate bill No. 305 (file No. 247), entitled

A bill to amend section 9 of Act No. 190 of the Public Acts of 1891, entitled "An act to prescribe the manner of conducting and to prevent fraud and [deception] deceptions at elections in this State," being section 3620 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as last amended by Act No. 158 of the Public Acts of 1911.

Senate bill No. 306 (file No. 248), entitled

A bill providing for the appointment, qualifications, powers, duties, etc., of the honorary positions of county, district and city health commissioners, and repealing all acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith.

Senate bill No. 283 (file No. 249), entitled

A bill to protect the lives, health and morals of women workers; to establish a minimum wage commission therefor, and to define its powers and duties; to provide for the fixing of minimum wages for such workers; and to provide penalties for the violation of the same; for publicity; and to make an appropriation therefor.

Senate bill No. 256 (file No. 250), entitled

A bill to permit incorporated telephone companies, not organized for pecuniary profit, certain other associations doing a mutual co-operative telephone business and having no capital stock, to own, operate, extend and vacate its lines and equipment upon the public highways of this State without applying for and receiving a certificate of public convenience and necessity from the Michigan Railroad Commission; absolving such associations and companies from filing with said commission certain schedules of rates, tolls, rents and charges, and providing that otherwise such companies and association shall be governed by Act No. 206 of the Public Acts of 1913.

House bill No. 59 (file No. 197), entitled

A bill making appropriations for the Newberry State Hospital at Newberry, for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, for building and special purposes, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

House bill No. 99 (file No. 198), entitled

A bill making appropriations for building and special purposes at the Kalamazoo State Hospital for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1916, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

The Clerk announced that the following named bills had been printed and placed upon the files of the members Thursday, April 1:

Senate bill No. 271 (file No. 251), entitled

A bill to prohibit the sale or transfer of concealed weapons, such as pistols, revolvers, dirk-knives and daggers in this State, except upon the written permission of prosecuting attorneys, and to provide a penalty for the violation thereof.

Senate bill No. 83 (file No. 252), entitled

A bill to provide appropriations for the State Board of Geological Survey for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

House bill No. 84 (file No. 199), entitled

A bill making appropriation for the Michigan State Normal College for current expenses for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

House bill No. 12 (file No. 200), entitled

A bill making appropriations for the Michigan Employment Institution for the Blind for current expenses and for building and special purposes for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, and providing a tax therefor.

House joint resolution No. 8 (file No. 201), entitled

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to section 30 of article V of the Constitution, relative to right of repeal of local or special acts by the Legislature.

House joint resolution No. 4 (file No. 202), entitled

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to section 7 of article VIII of the Constitution of Michigan relative to the establishing of county commissioners.

House bill No. 352 (file No. 203), entitled

A bill to provide for the naming of public roads and highways and placing of signs thereon and to provide a penalty for the violation of the provisions of this act.

House bill No. 387 (file No. 204), entitled

A bill to provide for the lawful taking and removing with seines or nets of dog-fish, carp, gar-fish or bill fish, sheepshead, suckers, mullet and redhorse from the waters of Lakes Superior, Michigan, Huron and Erie, the bays thereof, and the connecting waters between said lakes within the jurisdiction of this State; and for the issuance of permits therefor by the State Game, Fish and Forestry Warden.

House bill No. 297 (file No. 205), entitled

A bill to provide for the investigation and improvement of marketing conditions and establishing the office of market director and prescribing the duties and powers thereof, and making an annual appropriation therefor.

House bill No. 252 (file No. 206), entitled

A bill to provide for the compilation, publication and distribution in book form of all laws now in existence in regard to the powers and duties of township officers, to supply the same to certain township officers, and to repeal all acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act.

The Clerk announced the enrollment printing and the presentation to the Governor on April 1, for his approval, of the following named bills:

House bill No. 89 (file No. 41), enrolled No. 22, entitled

A bill to amend section 25 of chapter 3 of Act No. 164 of the Public Acts of 1881, entitled "An act to revise and consolidate the laws relating to public instruction and primary schools, and to repeal all statutes and acts contravening the provisions of this act," being section 4691 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as last amended by Act No. 218 of the Public Acts of 1911.

House bill No. 181 (file No. 72), enrolled No. 23, entitled

A bill to prevent the running at large of domestic animals or fowl upon grounds of cemeteries, and providing a penalty for the violation of this act.

House bill No. 197 (file No. 103), enrolled No. 24, entitled

A bill to amend section 7 of Act 242 of the Public Acts of 1863, entitled "An act for the incorporation of hospitals or asylums in cases where valuable grants or emoluments have been made to trustees for such purposes," approved March 20, 1863, and being section 8294 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

As a matter of privilege, Mr. Hinkley, Chairman, in behalf of the Committee on Ways and Means, sent to the Clerk's desk and had read the following:

Whereas; During great excitement which prevailed at a recent session of the House upon going into the Committee of the Whole, and the Speaker in his violent efforts to preserve order, showed his great strength of arm, which rivals his great strength of mind, and in his said efforts to restore order, demolished the insignia of his said office, to-wit: his trusty gavel, and the said gavel being now loosely held together by paste,

Therefore, The Committee on Ways and Means, realizing how useless is a Speaker without a gavel, secured a blacksmith to make one staunch and firm, securely fastened and bound by many bands of metal, which the Committee think and hope will be beyond the strength of the Speaker, and which it presents to him with its sincere good wishes.

D. H. HINKLEY,
W. F. NANK,
JAMES D. JEROME,
A. D. EDWARDS,
HENRY CROLL,
WAYNE R. RICE,
C. W. KEMMERLING,
CHAS. R. FOOTE,
L. J. WOLCOTT.

The Speaker expressed his appreciation of the spirit of friendship and good will that prompted the gift, and assured the members of the Ways and Means Committee and the other members of the House that he would always value the beautiful gavel, and that its presentation to him would be one of the treasured memories of the session.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Ways and Means, by Mr. Hinkley, Chairman, reported

Senate bill No. 206, entitled

A bill to provide for the preparation, transportation and care of a Michigan exhibit at the National Exhibition to be held in connection with the Half Century Anniversary of Negro Freedom, in the city of Chicago, in August and September, 1915; to create a commission to manage the said exhibit; and to make an appropriation therefor.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Ways and Means, by Mr. Hinkley, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 164, entitled

A bill making appropriations for the Western State Normal School for current expenses and for building and special purposes, for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, and for building and for special purposes for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1918, and June 30, 1919, and June 30, 1920, and June 30, 1921, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

With a substitute therefor, having the same title.

Recommending that the substitute be concurred in and that the bill as substituted pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the proposed substitute recommended by the committee,

The substitute was adopted.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Ways and Means, by Mr. Hinkley, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 27, entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the Industrial School for Boys for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

With a substitute therefor, having the same title.

Recommending that the substitute be concurred in and that the bill as substituted pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the proposed substitute recommended by the committee,

The substitute was adopted.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Ways and Means, by Mr. Hinkley, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 274, entitled

A bill to amend Act No. 7 of the Public Acts of 1912, Second Extra Session, entitled "An act to provide for the erection of armories, and make an appropriation therefor," by adding thereto another section to stand as section 5, relative to expenditures by the State in certain cases.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Ways and Means, by Mr. Hinkley, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 101, entitled

A bill to empower and direct the Board of State Auditors to examine and audit all bills and accounts of the city of Jackson for water furnished the Michigan State Prison from January 1, 1897, to January 1, 1915, and to provide for the payment of such bills and accounts when audited.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Ways and Means, by Mr. Hinkley, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 26, entitled

A bill making appropriations for the State Industrial Home for Girls for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

With a substitute therefor, having the same title.

Recommending that the substitute be concurred in and that the bill as substituted pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the proposed substitute recommended by the committee,

The substitute was adopted.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Roads and Bridges, by Mr. Daprato, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 311, entitled

A bill to amend section 10 of chapter 5 of Act No. 283 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to revise, consolidate and add to the laws relating to the establishment, opening, improvement, maintenance and use of the public highways and private roads, the condemnation of property and gravel therefor; the building, repairing and preservation of bridges; setting and protecting shade trees, drainage, cutting weeds and brush within this State, and providing for the election and

defining the powers, duties and compensation of State, county, township and district highway officials," as last amended by Act No. 355 of the Public Acts of 1913.

With the following amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in and that when so amended the bill pass:

1. Amend by inserting in line 5 of paragraph "h" of section 10 after the word "gravel" the words "in which fifty per cent of the pebbles must show fractured surfaces."

2. Amend by inserting in line 6 of paragraph "h" of section 10 after the word "size" the words "which gravel must be washed in case it contains any clay."

3. Amend by striking out of line 12 of paragraph "h" of section 10 after the word "of" the words "one thousand" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "nine hundred."

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the amendments to the bill recommended by the committee,

The amendments were adopted.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Military Affairs, by Mr. Culver, Chairman, reported

Senate concurrent resolution No. 14, entitled

Concurrent resolution authorizing the Board of State Auditors to allow the First Regiment of Michigan Sharpshooters to erect a monument on the Capitol grounds.

Whereas, The First Regiment of Michigan Sharpshooters, which was organized in the winter of 1862-1863, Colonel Charles V. DeLand, commanding, and which regiment served under General Ulysses S. Grant, from the Wilderness to Appomattox, with conspicuous bravery; and

Whereas, During that campaign, the regiment lost four officers and sixty-five men who were killed on the battlefield; two officers and forty-two men who died of wounds received, and one hundred fifty men who died of disease (most of them in Confederate prisons), the total loss of the regiment being two hundred sixty-three men; and

Whereas, On the third day of April, 1865, this regiment was the first regiment of Union soldiers to enter the city of Petersburg, Virginia, and to plant their colors on the court house, after a siege of ten months; and

Whereas, The survivors of said regiment desire to erect, at their own expense, on the Capitol grounds, a monument in memory of said regiment;

Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring), That the Board of State Auditors be and are hereby authorized and directed to permit the First Regiment of Michigan Sharpshooters to erect, without expense to the State, at such place on the Capitol grounds as the said board shall select, a monument to cost not less than twenty-five hundred dollars.

With the recommendation that the resolution be adopted.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the resolution,

The House concurred.

The Committee on Private Corporations, by Mr. Foote, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 346, entitled

A bill to provide for the incorporation of associations engaged in or about to engage in a mutual co-operative telephone business without capital stock; and to declare such associations as have heretofore incorporated for a like purpose under Act No. 171 of the Public Acts of 1903, to be legally organized under and subject to the provisions of this act.

Without recommendation.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

Mr. Lewis moved that the bill be ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Towns and Counties, by Mr. Haviland, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 396, entitled

A bill prescribing the powers and duties of township boards with relation to the care of rural cemeteries.

With the following amendment thereto, recommending that the amendment be concurred in and that when so amended the bill pass:

1. Amend by striking out of line 5 of section 1 the word "one" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "two."

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the amendment to the bill recommended by the committee,

The amendment was adopted.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on City Corporations, by Mr. Averill, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 389, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of Act No. 10 of the Public Acts of 1895, entitled "An act to establish a board of health for the city of Detroit," to provide for the appointment of the members thereof by the mayor of said city.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Education, by Mr. Symonds, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 428, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of Act No. 65 of the Public Acts of 1909, approved May 6, 1909, entitled "An act to provide for the payment of tuition in and transportation to another district, of children who have completed the eighth grade in any school district; and to repeal Act No. 190 of the Public Acts of 1903, and all other acts and parts of acts in anywise contravening the provisions of this act," as amended by Act No. 14 of the Public Acts of 1911 and Act No. 268 of the Public Acts of 1913.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Education, by Mr. Symonds, Chairman, reported Senate bill No. 98 (file No. 71), entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of Act No. 147 of the Public Acts of 1889, entitled "An act to regulate the uniformity of, and to provide free school text books in public schools throughout the State, and the distribution of the same, and to repeal all statutes and acts contravening the provisions of this act," being section 4775 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Education, by Mr. Symonds, Chairman, reported Senate bill No. 143 (file No. 97), entitled

A bill to amend section 14 of chapter 3 of Act No. 164 of the Public Acts of 1881, entitled "An act to revise and consolidate the laws relating to public instruction and primary schools and to repeal all statutes and acts contravening the provisions of this act," being section 4679 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by Act No. 146 of the Public Acts of 1901.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Education, by Mr. Symonds, Chairman, reported Senate bill No. 45 (file No. 38), entitled

A bill to provide for the establishment of agricultural courses in the public schools of the State, and to provide for the maintenance and control of the same.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Fish and Fisheries, by Mr. McMillan, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 427, entitled

A bill to prohibit the taking, catching or killing of blue-gills during certain months of the year; and to provide a penalty therefor.

With the following amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in and that when so amended the bill pass:

1. Amend by striking out of line 4 of section 1 the word "fifteenth" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "first."

2. Amend by striking out of line 5 of section 1 the words "first day of July" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "fifteenth day of June."

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the amendments to the bill recommended by the committee,

The amendments were adopted.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Fish and Fisheries, by Mr. McMillan, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 331, entitled

A bill to repeal Act No. 107 of the Public Acts of 1901, entitled "An act to prohibit the catching, killing or destroying of fish with seines or any species of continuous net or with any form of spear or trap, or in any manner whatsoever except with hook and line in the waters of Silver Lake, or in the channel leading from said Silver Lake to Lake Michigan, in the township of Golden, Oceana county, Michigan," and providing a penalty therefor.

With the following amendment thereto, recommending that the amendment be concurred in and that when so amended the bill pass:

1. Amend by striking out of lines 20 and 21 of section 2 the words "county board of election commissioners of said county" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "township board of said township."

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the amendment to the bill recommended by the committee,

The amendment was adopted.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Fish and Fisheries, by Mr. McMillan, Chairman, reported

House bill No. 280, entitled

A bill to permit the catching or taking of rainbow or steelhead trout, by the use of spears and dip nets in any of the waters of the State of Michigan from the twentieth day of March to the twentieth day of April, inclusive, of each year, and to prescribe a penalty therefor.

Without recommendation.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

Mr. Frank A. Smith moved that the bill be ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

The Committee on Fish and Fisheries, by Mr. McMillan, chairman, reported

House bill No. 424, entitled

A bill to amend section 8 of Act No. 213 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to regulate the taking of fish in the waters of Lakes Superior, Michigan, Huron and Erie, the bays thereof and the connecting waters between said lakes within the jurisdiction of this State, and to regulate the transportation, sale and possession of fish taken from said waters," as last amended by Act No. 97 of the Public Acts of 1913.

With the following amendment thereto, recommending that the amendment be concurred in and that when so amended the bill pass:

1. Amend by striking out of line 9 of section 8 the words "length than nine inches" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "weight than seven ounces."

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the amendment to the bill recommended by the committee,

The amendment was adopted.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the general orders.

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR.

A message was received from the Governor announcing the approval on April 1, of the following entitled bill:

House bill No. 181 (file No. 72), enrolled No. 23, entitled

A bill to prevent the running at large of domestic animals or fowl upon grounds of cemeteries, and providing a penalty for the violation of this act.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

A message was received from the Senate informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had receded from its action in amending House concurrent resolution No. 17.

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That when the Legislature adjourns on Friday, April 2, it stand adjourned until Tuesday, April 6.

And further informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had adopted the resolution without amendment.

A message was received from the Senate returning with an amendment

House bill No. 134 (file No. 53), entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 7 of Act No. 3 of the Public Acts of 1895, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation of villages within the State of Michigan, and defining their powers and duties," being section 2769 of the Compiled Laws of 1897; to empower villages to regulate, tax and license saloons.

The amendments adopted by the Senate are as follows:

Section 1, line 2, strike out the brackets, and also the word "confirmed" after the word "conferred" in the same line.

And informing the House of Representatives that, as amended, the Senate had passed the bill.

The Speaker announced that under Rule 58 the message would lie over one day.

Mr. Whiteley moved that Rule 58 be suspended.

The motion prevailed, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor.

The question being on concurring in the amendments made to the bill by the Senate.

The amendments were concurred in, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Gayde	Mr. Nank	Mr. Smith, F. A.
Anderson	Green	Oakley	Smith, Newel
Ashley	Griggs	O'Brien	Smith, S. J.
Averill	Haviland	Olmsted	Snow
Biggerstaff	Henry	Ormsbee	Sours
Bosch	Hinkley	Palmer	Stevens
Chapin	Hoffman	Penney	Stevenson
Clark	Hopkins	Person	Sutton
Cowan	Hulse	Petermann	Symonds
Croll	Jerome, J. D.	Place	Tufts
Culver	Jerome, W. F.	Pray	Van Antwerp
Daigneau	Jones	Quintel	Vine
Daprato	Keen	Read, Thos.	Ward
De Boer	Kemmerling	Reed, C. J.	Warner
Edwards	Koehler	Rice	Watkins
Empson	Kooyers	Robertson	Weissert
Evens	Leland	Rogers	Whiteley
Ewing	Lewis	Root	Wieland
Flowers	McMillan	Ross	Wiley
Follett	Martin	Schmidt	Wood
Foote	Matthews	Sherman	Woodruff
Ford, R. L.	Miller	Shields	Wright
Ford, Sheridan	Moore	Sly	Speaker
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The bill was referred to the Clerk for enrollment printing and presentation to the Governor.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting Senate bill No. 264 (file No. 204), entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of Act No. 139 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act relative to the maintenance and construction of hospitals and sanatoria within the counties of this State and to provide a tax to raise moneys therefor," approved May 26, 1909.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill, and further informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had ordered the bill to take immediate effect.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Public Health.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting Senate bill No. 223 (file No. 230), entitled

A bill to amend section 70 of Act No. 84 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled "An act to increase the efficiency of the military establishment of the State of Michigan, to make an appropriation therefor, and to repeal all former acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act," as amended by Act No. 67 of the Public Acts of 1911.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting Senate bill No. 221 (file No. 229), entitled

A bill to authorize the creation of county libraries or the contracting by the board of supervisors of any county with libraries for their free use within the county.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Towns and Counties.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting Senate bill No. 242 (file No. 231), entitled

A bill to make an appropriation to defray the expenses of one of the Justices of the Supreme Court of the State of Michigan in attending the annual conference of judges to be held for the purpose of prescribing form and rules, and regulating pleading, procedure and practice on the common law side of the federal courts.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill, and further informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had ordered the bill to take immediate effect.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting Senate joint resolution No. 7 (file No. 170), entitled

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to section 30 of article V of the Constitution, declaring all fish and game legislation to be general acts,

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had passed the bill.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Revision and Amendment of the Constitution.

A message was received from the Senate re-transmitting Senate concurrent resolution, No. 15.

Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring), That the committee appointed pursuant to the terms of Senate concurrent resolution No. 13, adopted by the two houses on March 25, 1915, be granted until April 7, 1915, to submit their report.

And informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had adopted the concurrent resolution.

The question being on concurring in the adoption of the resolution, The House concurred.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Symonds introduced House bill No. 440, entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of Act No. 166 of the Public Acts of 1901, entitled "An act to define the legal qualifications of kindergarten, music

and drawing teachers in the State," as amended by Act 24 of the Public Acts of 1905, and Act 111 of the Public Acts of 1909.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Flowers introduced

House bill No. 441, entitled

A bill to amend section 11 of chapter 253 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, and acts amendatory thereto, said chapter relating to the accounts of executors and administrators.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Clark introduced

House bill No. 442, entitled

A bill to amend section 4 of chapter 2 and section 4 of chapter 4 of Act No. 254 of the Public Acts of 1897, as amended by Act No. 16 of the Public Acts of 1903, entitled "An act to provide for the construction and maintenance of drains and the assessment and collection of taxes therefor, and to repeal all other laws relative thereto," being sections 4313 and 4343 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Drainage.

Mr. Empson introduced

House bill No. 443, entitled

A bill to amend sections 2 and 13 of Act No. 188 of the Public Acts of 1899, entitled "An act to provide for the taxation of inheritances, transfers of property by will, transfers of property by the intestate laws of this State, or transfers of property by deed, grant, bargain, sale or gift, made in contemplation of the death of the grantor, vendor or donor, or intended to take effect in possession or enjoyment at or after such death," as amended by Act No. 195 of the Public Acts of 1903, and Act No. 30 of the Public Acts of 1913.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. DeBoer introduced

House bill No. 444, entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of chapter 81 of the Revised Statutes of 1846, entitled "Of fraudulent conveyances and contracts relative to goods, chattels and things in action," as amended by Act No. 238 of the Public Acts of 1913, and being compiler's section 9515 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Wiley introduced

House bill No. 445, entitled

A bill to amend section 45 of chapter 65 of the Revised Statutes of 1846, entitled "Of alienation by deed, and the proof and recording of

conveyances, and the cancellation of mortgages," as last amended by Act No. 82 of the Public Acts of 1893, and being section 9011 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Griggs introduced

House bill No. 446, entitled

A bill making appropriations for the Michigan State Agricultural Society for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, and to provide for a tax to meet the same.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Petermann introduced

House bill No. 447, entitled

A bill to provide for the assessment by the State Board of Assessors of the property, by whomsoever owned, operated or conducted, of all public utilities operated in more than one assessment district in this State, other than those now assessed and taxed in accordance with the provisions of Act No. 282 of the Public Acts of 1905, as amended by Act No. 49 of the Public Acts of 1909, to provide for the levy and collection of taxes thereon, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts contravening the provisions of this act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on General Taxation.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 42 (file No. 196), entitled

A bill to provide for the payment of salaries to the sheriff, undersheriff, county clerk, county treasurer, register of deeds, prosecuting attorney and deputies of said officers of the several counties of the State of Michigan, excepting those counties where salaries are regulated by special act; and providing for the collection of all fees and charges and payment of the same to the county treasurer and prescribing penalties for the violation of this act, and also providing for a referendum hereof to the electors of the different counties of this State to determine the adoption or discontinuance of the provisions of this act within their county and to repeal all acts or parts of acts in contravention to the provisions of this act.

Was read a third time and, the question being on its passage,

Mr. Evens moved to amend the bill

1. Amend by striking out of line 31 of section 1 the figures "\$1,500, \$2,000, \$2,500, \$3,000, \$4,000" and inserting in lieu thereof the figures \$1,200, \$1,800, \$2,300, \$2,700, \$3,700."

The motion did not prevail and the amendment was not adopted, a majority of all the members-elect not voting therefor.

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Ashley	Mr. Griggs	Mr. Nank	Mr. Sly
Averill	Haviland	Oakley	Smith, Newel
Biggerstaff	Henry	O'Brien	Smith, S. J.
Bosch	Hulse	Olmsted	Snow
Cowan	Jerome, J. D.	Penney	Stevenson
Croll	Jerome, W. F.	Person	Sutton
Culver	Jones	Pray	Symonds
Daigneau	Keen	Quintel	Vine
De Boer	Koehler	Reed, C. J.	Weissert
Evens	Kooyers	Rice	Wells
Ewing	Leland	Robertson	Wieland
Flowers	Lewis	Root	Wiley
Follett	Martin	Ross	Wolcott
Francis	Matthews	Schmidt	Woodruff
Gayde	Miller	Sherman	Wright
Gettel	Moore	Shields	Speaker
Green			

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NAYS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Ford, R. L.	Mr. Ormsbee	Mr. Tufts
Anderson	Ford, Sheridan	Petermann	Van Antwerp
Chapin	Hinkley	Place	Ward
Clark	Hoffman	Read, Thos.	Warner
Daprato	Hopkins	Rogers	Watkins
Edwards	Kemmerling	Smith, F. A.	Whiteley
Empson	McMillan	Sours	Wood
Foote	Nelson		

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Pending the announcement of the vote upon the bill,
 Mr. Gettel demanded the vote of Mr. Cowan.
 Mr. Cowan voted yea and was so recorded.
 Mr. Henry demanded the vote of Mr. Follett.
 Mr. Follett voted yea and was so recorded.
 The House agreed to the title of the bill.

House bill No. 131 (file No. 162), entitled

A bill to amend sections 1 and 2 of chapter III; section 3 of chapter IV; section 1 of chapter V; section 1 of chapter VII; and section 1 of chapter VIII; of Act No. 254 of the Public Acts of 1897, as amended, entitled "An act to provide for the construction and maintenance of drains, and the assessment and collection of taxes therefor," the same being sections 4319, 4320, 4342, 4344, 4371 and 4379 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, and to add a new section to chapter IX to stand as section 13.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Henry	Mr. Petermann	Mr. Stevens
Anderson	Hopkins	Place	Sutton
Averill	Hulse	Pray	Symonds
Biggerstaff	Jerome, J. D.	Quintel	Van Antwerp
Bosch	Jerome, W. F.	Reed, C. J.	Vine
Chapin	Koehler	Rice	Ward

Mr. Clark	Mr. Kooyers	Mr. Robertson	Mr. Warner
Daigneau	Lewis	Rogers	Watkins
De Boer	Martin	Root	Weissert
Edwards	Matthews	Schmidt	Wells
Empson	Miller	Sherman	Whiteley
Evens	Moore	Shields	Wiley
Flowers	Nank	Smith, F. A.	Wolcott
Ford, R. L.	Oakley	Smith, Newel	Wood
Gayde	O'Brien	Smith, S. J.	Woodruff
Griggs	Ormsbee	Snow	Wright
Haviland	Penney	Sours	Speaker

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NAYS.

Mr. Ashley	Mr. Daprato	Mr. Hinkley	Mr. Nelson
Cowan	Follett	Hoffman	Tufts
Croll	Ford, Sheridan	Jones	Wieland
Culver	Gettel	Keen	

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

House bill No. 214 (file No. 164), entitled

A bill to regulate judicial procedure in civil and criminal cases.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Green	Mr. Ormsbee	Mr. Snow
Anderson	Haviland	Palmer	Sours
Ashley	Henry	Penney	Stevens
Averill	Hinkley	Person	Stevenson
Biggerstaff	Hoffman	Petermann	Sutton
Bosch	Hopkins	Place	Symonds
Chapin	Hulse	Pray	Tufts
Cowan	Jerome, W. F.	Quintel	Van Antwerp
Croll	Keen	Read, Thos.	Vine
Culver	Koehler	Reed, C. J.	Ward
Daigneau	Kooyers	Rice	Warner
Daprato	Lewis	Robertson	Weissert
Empson	McMillan	Rogers	Wells
Evens	Martin	Root	Whiteley
Ewing	Matthews	Ross	Wieland
Flowers	Miller	Schmidt	Wiley
Foote	Moore	Sherman	Wolcott
Ford, R. L.	Nank	Shields	Wood
Ford, Sheridan	Nelson	Sly	Woodruff
Francis	Oakley	Smith, F. A.	Wright
Gayde	O'Brien	Smith, Newel	Speaker
Gettel	Olmsted	Smith, S. J.	

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NAYS.

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

House bill No. 34 (file No. 165), entitled

A bill to amend section 32 of Act No. 183 of the Public Acts of 1897, entitled "An act to provide for the appointment and fix the term of office, duties and compensation of circuit court stenographers in the

State of Michigan," approved May 29, 1897, being section 394 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, relative to the compensation of circuit court stenographer in the nineteenth judicial circuit.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Francis	Mr. O'Brien	Mr. Smith, S. J.
Anderson	Green	Olmsted	Snow
Ashley	Haviland	Ormsbee	Sours
Averill	Henry	Palmer	Stevens
Biggerstaff	Hoffman	Penney	Stevenson
Bosch	Hopkins	Person	Sutton
Chapin	Hulse	Petermann	Symonds
Clark	Jerome, J. D.	Place	Tufts
Cowan	Keen	Pray	Van Antwerp
Croll	Koehler	Quintel	Vine
Culver	Kooyers	Read, Thos.	Ward
Daigneau	Leland	Rice	Warner
Daprato	Lewis	Rogers	Watkins
De Boer	McMillan	Root	Weissert
Edwards	Martin	Ross	Wells
Empson	Matthews	Schmidt	Whiteley
Evens	Miller	Sherman	Wiley
Ewing	Moore	Shields	Wood
Flowers	Nank	Sly	Woodruff
Foote	Nelson	Smith, F. A.	Wright
Ford, R. L.	Oakley	Smith, Newel	Speaker
Ford, Sheridan			85

NAYS.

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

Mr. Tufts moved that the bill be ordered to take immediate effect.

The motion prevailed, two-thirds of all the members-elect voting therefor.

House bill No. 391 (file No. 166), entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of Act No. 94 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to provide for the appointment of guardians of the persons of habitual drunkards, and of persons so addicted to the excessive use of intoxicating liquors or narcotic or noxious drugs as to need medical or sanitary treatment or care, and for restraining them in a suitable asylum or hospital."

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Gettel	Mr. Oakley	Mr. Smith, S. J.
Anderson	Green	O'Brien	Snow
Averill	Griggs	Olmsted	Sours
Biggerstaff	Haviland	Ormsbee	Stevens
Bosch	Henry	Palmer	Stevenson
Chapin	Hoffman	Person	Sutton
Clark	Hulse	Petermann	Symonds

Mr. Cowan	Mr. Jerome, J. D.	Mr. Place	Mr. Van Antwerp
Croll	Jerome, W. F.	Quintel	Vine
Culver	Jones	Read, Thos.	Ward
Daigneau	Keen	Reed, C. J.	Warner
Daprato	Koehler	Rice	Watkins
De Boer	Kooyers	Robertson	Weissert
Edwards	Leland	Rogers	Wells
Evens	Lewis	Root	Whiteley
Ewing	McMillan	Ross	Wieland
Flowers	Martin	Schmidt	Wiley
Follett	Matthews	Sherman	Wolcott
Foote	Miller	Shields	Wood
Ford, R. L.	Moore	Sly	Woodruff
Ford, Sheridan	Nank	Smith, F. A.	Wright
Francis	Nelson	Smith, Newel	Speaker
Gayde			

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NAYS.

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

Mr. Watkins moved that the bill be ordered to take immediate effect.

The motion prevailed, two-thirds of all the members-elect voting therefor.

House bill No. 392 (file No. 167), entitled

A bill to amend section 5 of Act No. 6 of the Public Acts of 1907, Extra Session, as last amended by Act 363 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to define and to regulate the treatment and control of dependent, neglected and delinquent children; to prescribe the jurisdiction of the probate court and the powers, duties and compensation of the probate judge and probate register with regard thereto; to provide for the appointment of county agents, registers of juvenile division and probation officers, and to prescribe their powers, duties and compensation."

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Gayde	Mr. Nelson	Mr. Smith, F. A.
Anderson	Gettel	Oakley	Smith, Newel
Averill	Griggs	O'Brien	Smith, S. J.
Bosch	Haviland	Olmsted	Snow
Chapin	Henry	Ormsbee	Sours
Clark	Hoffman	Palmer	Stevenson
Cowan	Hopkins	Person	Sutton
Croll	Hulse	Petermann	Symonds
Culver	Jerome, J. D.	Place	Van Antwerp
Daigneau	Jerome, Wm. F.	Pray	Vine
Daprato	Jones	Quintel	Ward
De Boer	Keen	Read, Thos.	Watkins
Edwards	Kemmerling	Reed, C. J.	Weissert
Empson	Koehler	Rice	Wells
Evens	Kooyers	Robertson	Whiteley
Ewing	Leland	Rogers	Wieland
Flowers	Lewis	Root	Wiley
Follett	Martin	Ross	Wolcott
Foote	Matthews	Schmidt	Wood
Ford, R. L.	Miller	Sherman	Woodruff
Ford, Sheridan	Moore	Shields	Wright
Francis	Nank	Sly	Speaker

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NAYS.

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

House bill No. 349 (file No. 168), entitled

A bill to amend section 29 of chapter 65 of the Revised Statutes of Michigan of 1846, entitled "Of alienation by deed, and the proof and recording of conveyances, and the cancelling of mortgages," being section 8988 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Francis	Mr. Moore	Mr. Smith, F. A.
Anderson	Gayde	Nank	Smith, Newel
Ashley	Gettel	Nelson	Smith, S. J.
Averill	Griggs	Oakley	Snow
Biggerstaff	Haviland	O'Brien	Sours
Bosch	Henry	Olmsted	Stevenson
Chapin	Hinkley	Ormsbee	Sutton
Clark	Hoffman	Person	Symonds
Cowan	Hopkins	Petermann	Van Antwerp
Croll	Hulse	Place	Vine
Culver	Jerome, J. D.	Pray	Ward
Daigneau	Jerome, W. F.	Quintel	Warner
Daprato	Jones	Read, Thos.	Watkins
De Boer	Keen	Reed, C. J.	Weissert
Edwards	Kemmerling	Rice	Wells
Empson	Koehler	Robertson	Whiteley
Evens	Kooyers	Rogers	Wieland
Ewing	Leland	Root	Wiley
Flowers	Lewis	Ross	Wolcott
Follett	McMillan	Schmidt	Wood
Foote	Martin	Sherman	Woodruff
Ford, R. L.	Matthews	Shields	Wright
Ford, Sheridan	Miller	Sly	Speaker

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NAYS.

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

House bill No. 385 (file No. 169), entitled

A bill to prohibit the giving or receiving of any gift or gratuity in connection with any service performed in any shop, hotel, restaurant, public house or public utility in excess of the maximum price therefor.

Was read a third time and, the question being on its passage,

Mr. Clarence J. Reed moved to amend the bill

1. By adding a new section, to stand as section 5, and to read as follows: "Section 5. It shall be the duty of the Commissioner of Labor to see that the provisions of this act are complied with and said commissioner or any deputy or inspector of his department is hereby granted police power to enter upon the premises of any hotel, restaurant, public eating house, dining car, shop or public utility at reasonable hours to determine whether the provisions of this act are being complied with.

The motion did not prevail and the amendment was not adopted, a majority of all the members-elect not voting therefor.

Was read a third time and not passed, a majority of all the members-elect not voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Griggs	Mr. Penney	Mr. Van Antwerp
Averill	Hulse	Reed, C. J.	Vine
Bosch	Kooyers	Root	Watkins
Chapin	Leland	Schmidt	Wells
Clark	Martin	Smith, F. A.	Wieland
De Boer	Matthews	Smith, Newel	Wolcott
Ewing	Miller	Stevens	Wood
Follett	Moore		

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NAYS.

Mr. Anderson	Mr. Gayde	Mr. Nelson	Mr. Shields
Ashley	Gettel	Oakley	Sly
Biggerstaff	Green	O'Brien	Smith, S. J.
Cowan	Henry	Olmsted	Snow
Croll	Hinkley	Ormsbee	Sours
Culver	Hoffman	Palmer	Stevenson
Daigneau	Hopkins	Person	Sutton
Daprato	Jerome, J. D.	Petermann	Symonds
Edwards	Jerome, W. F.	Place	Ward
Empson	Jones	Pray	Warner
Evens	Keen	Quintel	Whiteley
Flowers	Kemmerling	Read, Thos.	Wiley
Foote	Koehler	Robertson	Woodruff
Ford, R. L.	Lewis	Rogers	Wright
Ford, Sheridan	McMillan	Ross	Speaker
Francis	Nank		

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Pending the announcement of the vote upon the bill,

Mr. Nelson demanded the vote of Mr. Ross.

Mr. Ross voted nay and was so recorded.

Mr. Nelson demanded the vote of Mr. Gettel.

Mr. Gettel voted nay and was so recorded.

Mr. Nelson demanded the vote of Mr. Evens.

Mr. Evens voted nay and was so recorded.

Mr. Chapin demanded the vote of Mr. Keen.

Mr. Keen voted nay and was so recorded.

Mr. O'Brien demanded the vote of Mr. Anderson.

Mr. Anderson voted nay and was so recorded.

Mr. O'Brien demanded the vote of Mr. Francis.

Mr. Francis voted nay and was so recorded.

Mr. Anderson demanded the vote of Mr. Kooyers.

Mr. Kooyers voted yea and was so recorded.

House bill No. 282 (file No. 170), entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of Act No. 81 of the Public Acts of 1907, entitled "An act for the protection of boarding house keepers.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members-elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Amon	Mr. Ford, R. L.	Mr. Miller	Mr. Snow
Anderson	Francis	Moore	Sours
Ashley	Griggs	O'Brien	Stevens
Biggerstaff	Haviland	Olmsted	Tufts
Chapin	Hoffman	Palmer	Vine
Clark.	Hopkins	Person	Ward
Croll	Hulse	Place	Warner
Culver	Jerome, J. D.	Pray	Watkins
Daigneau	Jerome, W. F.	Quintel	Weissert
Daprato	Keen	Robertson	Wells
De Boer	Koehler	Rogers	Wieland
Empson	Kooyers	Schmidt	Wiley
Ewing	Lewis	Sherman	Wolcott
Flowers	Martin	Smith, F. A.	Wood
Follett	Matthews	Smith, Newel	Speaker

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NAYS.

Mr. Averill	Mr. Gettel	Mr. Ormsbee	Mr. Stevenson
Bosch	Henry	Penney	Sutton
Cowan	Kemmerling	Petermann	Symonds
Edwards	Leland	Reed, C. J.	Van Antwerp
Evens	McMillan	Ross	Whiteley
Foote	Nank	Shields	Woodruff
Ford, Sheridan	Nelson	Sly	Wright
Gayde	Oakley	Smith, S. J.	

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Pending the announcement of the vote upon the bill,
 Mr. Warner demanded the vote of Mr. Gayde.
 Mr. Gayde voted nay and was so recorded.
 Mr. Warner demanded the vote of Mr. Francis.
 Mr. Francis voted yea and was so recorded.
 Mr. Warner demanded the vote of Mr. Cowan.
 Mr. Cowan voted nay and was so recorded.
 Mr. Warner demanded the vote of Mr. Oakley.
 Mr. Oakley voted nay and was so recorded.
 The House agreed to the title of the bill.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Jones made written request for the printing, with amendments,
 of

Senate bill No. 64 (file No. 47), entitled

A bill to provide for a retirement fund for teachers in certain cases.

The request was referred to the Committee on Printing.

Mr. Watkins made written request for the printing of
 House bill No. 430, entitled

A bill to amend the title and sections 1, 3, 5, 6, 7 and 8 of Act No. 6 of the Public Acts of the Extra Session of 1907, entitled "An act to define and to regulate the treatment and control of dependent, neglected and delinquent children; to prescribe the jurisdiction of the probate court, and the powers, duties and compensation of the probate judge

and probate register with regard thereto; to provide for the appointment of county agents, register of the juvenile division and probation officers, and to prescribe their powers, duties and compensation," as amended by Act No. 310 of the Public Acts of 1909, Act No. 262 of the Public Acts of 1911, Acts Nos. 228 and 363 of the Public Acts of 1913, and to add one new section thereto to stand as section 12-a.

The request was referred to the Committee on Printing.

Mr. Ewing moved that

House bill No. 378 (file No. 191), entitled

A bill to amend section 7 of Act No. 206 of the Public Acts of 1893, entitled "An act to provide for the assessment of property and levy and collection of taxes thereon, and for the collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied; making such taxes a lien on the lands taxed, establishing and continuing such lien, providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes, and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the State and not redeemed or purchased; and to repeal Act No. 200 of the Public Acts of 1891, and all other acts or parts of acts in anywise contravening any of the provisions of this act," being section 7 of chapter 98 and compiler's section 3830 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by Act No. 309 of the Public Acts of 1909, and as last amended by Act No. 174 of the Public Acts of 1911.

Be taken from the order of general orders and re-referred to the Committee on General Taxation.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. DeBoer moved that

House bill No. 321 (file No. 190), entitled

A bill to amend sections 1 and 2 of Act No. 301 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled "An act to provide for the licensing, bonding and regulation of private employment agencies, the limiting of the amount of the fee charged by such agencies, the refunding of such fees in certain cases, the imposing of obligations on persons, firms or corporations which have induced workmen to travel in the hope of securing employment, charging the Commissioner of Labor with the enforcement of this act and empowering him to make rules and regulations, and fixing penalties for the violation hereof."

Be taken from the order of general orders and re-referred to the Committee on Labor.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. James D. Jerome moved that 8:30 o'clock p. m. be fixed as the hour for the convening of the House on Tuesday, April 6, instead of the regular hour of 2:00 o'clock p. m.

The motion prevailed.

GENERAL ORDERS OF THE DAY.

Mr. Daprato moved that the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole on the general orders.

The motion prevailed.

The Speaker called Mr. Daprato to the chair.

After a time spent in the consideration of bills upon the general orders, the committee rose, and, through its chairman, made a report recommending the passage, without amendment, of the following entitled bills:

House bill No. 367 (file No. 192), entitled

A bill relative to the cost of bonds to be provided by township officers.

House bill No. 276 (file No. 193), entitled

A bill to amend section 102 of chapter 14 of the Revised Statutes of 1846, relative to county surveyors, as amended by Act No. 140 of the Public Acts of 1869, being compiler's section 2624 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

House bill No. 59 (file No. 197), entitled

A bill making appropriations for the Newberry State Hospital at Newberry, for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1917, for building and special purposes, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

House bill No. 99 (file No. 198), entitled

A bill making appropriations for building and special purposes at the Kalamazoo State Hospital for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1916, and to provide a tax to meet the same.

House bill No. 61 (file No. 20), entitled

A bill to promote the safety of travelers and employes upon railroads operating in the State of Michigan by limiting the length of trains operated by common carriers, and providing a penalty for the violation of this act.

Senate bill No. 85 (file No. 192), entitled

A bill to fix the leaves of absence and furloughs of certain officers and men in all cities of this State having full paid members of fire departments.

Senate bill No. 150 (file No. 106), entitled

A bill to provide for the construction and improvement of highways and the assessment and collection of taxes therefor.

Senate bill No. 27 (file No. 82), entitled

A bill to prohibit selling, giving, furnishing or delivering any vinous, malt, brewed, fermented, spirituous or intoxicating liquors, or any mixed liquors or beverages, any part of which is intoxicating, at lumber camps, or mills or yards which are connected with lumbering operations, or on, or along right of way of logging railroads to any employe therein, and to provide a penalty for violation of the same.

The bills were placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

The Committee of the Whole reported

House bill No. 166 (file No. 195), entitled

A bill to provide for pasteurizing the by-products of cheese factories, creameries, skimming stations and other places where milk is received and distributed.

Recommending the adoption of the following amendment thereto and the passage of the bill when so amended;

1. Amend by inserting at the end of section 1 the following: "Provided, That the provisions of this act shall not apply to cheese factories or creameries that pasteurize the milk or cream prior to manufacture."

The question being on the adoption of the proposed amendment made by the committee,

The amendment was adopted and the bill was placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

Messrs. Haviland, Stevens and William F. Jerome asked and obtained leaves of absence from tomorrow's session.

Mr. Ewing asked and obtained an indefinite leave of absence after 5:00 o'clock today.

Mr. Follett asked and obtained an indefinite leave of absence after today's session.

Mr. Hoffman asked and obtained an indefinite leave of absence after tomorrow's session.

Mr. Matthews asked and obtained an indefinite leave of absence after 10:00 o'clock a. m. tomorrow.

Mr. Bosch moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House decided to meet at 8:30 o'clock p. m. Tuesday.

The motion prevailed.

The question being on the motion made by Mr. James D. Jerome,

That when the House adjourns tomorrow it stand adjourned until Tuesday at 8:30 o'clock p. m.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Quintel moved that the House adjourn.

The motion prevailed, the time being 4:15 o'clock p. m.

The Speaker declared the House adjourned until tomorrow at 9:00 o'clock a. m.

CHARLES S. PIERCE,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.

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